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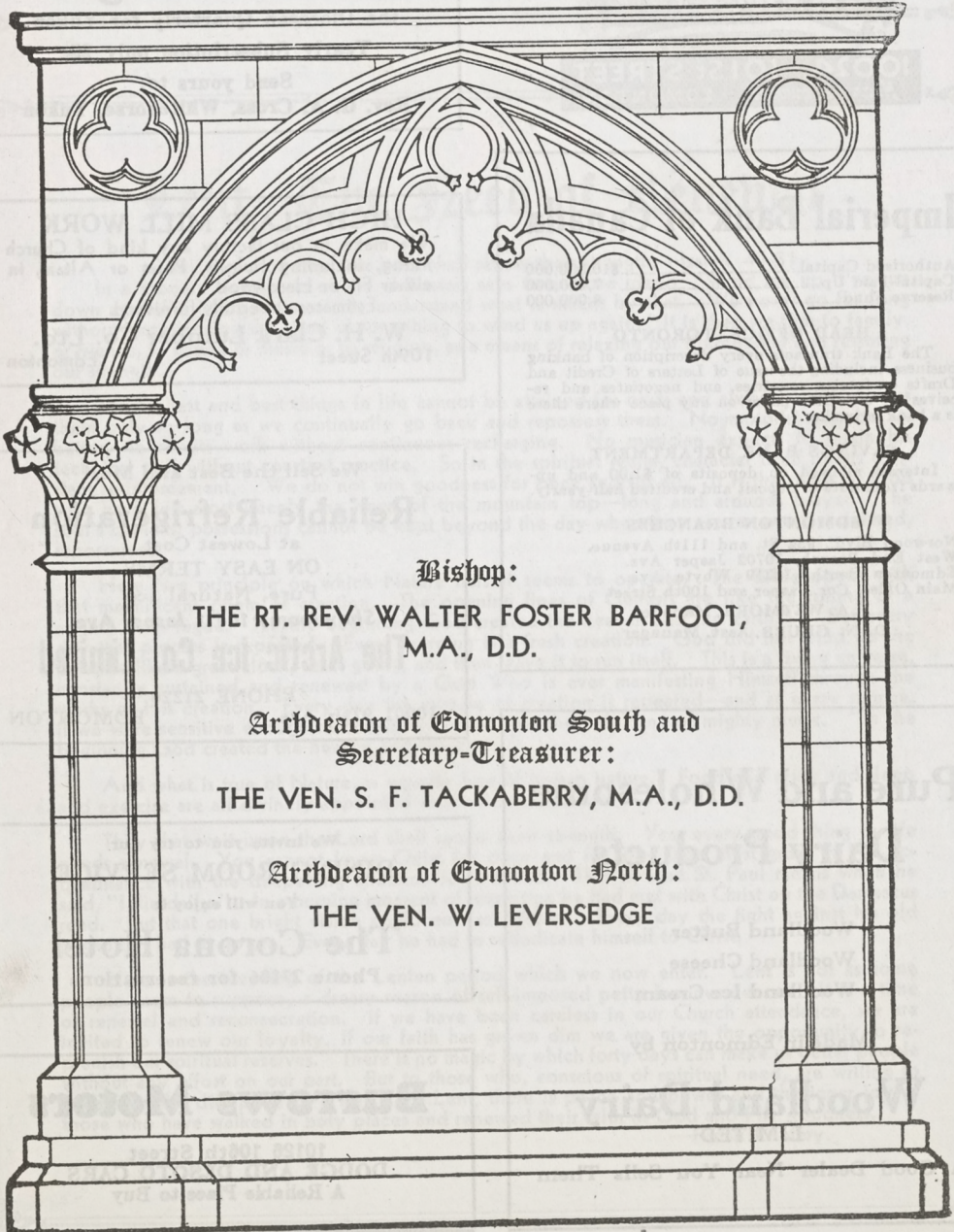
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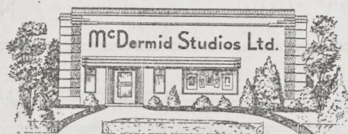
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Lent---The Need of Renewal

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.—Isaiah 40-31.

In a modern novel one of the characters says to a close friend "Wind me up I've run down again." Most of us readily understand what is meant by that. We never go for long without experiencing the need of something to wind us up again. It is then we turn to family, or friends, to nature or music or to religion, as a means of relaxing our tired nerves and restoring our strength.

The highest and best things in life cannot be attained for once and always. We possess them only so long as we continually go back and repossess them. No motorist expects his battery to do its work without continuous recharging. No musician expects to retain his technical skill without constant practice. So in the spiritual realm, character itself needs constant re-inforcement. We do not win goodness for once and for all. It is the saints of God who have felt most keenly the need of the mountain top—long and arduous prayer. The soul's choicest possessions cannot be kept beyond the day when they are renewed, reclaimed, repossessed.

Here is a principle on which Nature herself seems to operate. The Bible opens with that magnificent poem of creation. The opening lines of Genesis are like the rolling of a mighty Bach fugue. "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." But every day that process is repeated. Every morning is a fresh creation. God did not wind up the universe like a great clock, set it going, and then leave it to run itself. This is a living universe, constantly sustained and renewed by a God Who is ever manifesting Himself through the works of His creation. Every day the miracle of creation is repeated—and at every sunrise, if we were sensitive enough to beauty we could hear the unfolding of mighty music. "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

And what is true of Nature, is equally true of human nature. Food and drink and sleep and exercise are all divinely appointed ways of recreation.

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. Yes, every good thing in life needs renewal. You cannot know Christ for once and for all. You must grow in His acquaintance with the deepening affection for a friend. That is what St. Paul means when he said, "I die daily." In a burning moment of revelation he had met with Christ on the Damascus road. But that one bright vision could not last forever. Every day the fight against his old pagan self had to go on. Every day he had to rededicate himself to Christ.

Here is the meaning of the Lenten period which we now enter. Lent is not as some people seem to suppose, a dreary season of self-imposed petty inconveniences. It is a time of renewal and reconsecration. If we have been careless in our Church attendance, we are invited to renew our loyalty. If our faith has grown dim we are given the opportunity to replenish our spiritual reserves. There is no magic by which forty days can make us better people without any effort on our part. But to those who, conscious of spiritual need, are willing to undertake the discipline of a well kept Lent, there is peace and power and the inner joy of those who have walked in holy places and renewed their faith in God and His goodness.

—Parish Printery.

Diocesan News

CLERGY CONFERENCE

A Clergy Conference, arranged by the Bishop, was held in the Mission House, 11717 93rd St., on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, January 28th, 29th, and 30th. All the Clergy of the Diocese were in attendance, and met together for the first time under Bishop Barfoot. The out-of-town Clergy all stayed at the Mission House for the whole period of the Conference.

A number of important questions relating to Social Reconstruction, Religious Education, Marriage, Baptism, Confirmation, etc., were discussed, and resolutions passed.

Quite apart from the importance of the discussions, the Conference manifested a very wonderful spirit of fellowship among the Clergy, some of whom were meeting for the first time. It was generally agreed that the Conference had done much to link together the Clergy as one brotherhood, in a way that the Diocese had, perhaps, never known before. The thanks of the Clergy go to the Bishop who made this fellowship possible, and who, by his understanding leadership, kept the discussions and devotions on a high spiritual plane.

BROADCASTING CFRN

February 8th—Holy Trinity, 11 a.m.
February 22nd—Christ Church, 11 a.m.

BISHOP'S CHAPEL

Every Sunday afternoon at 4.30 p.m.

APPORTIONMENTS IN FULL

Victory Has Crowned Our Efforts

The Church of England in Canada is enjoying a new experience. In 1941 she faced the task of meeting the annual apportionments in full plus \$60,000.00 representing block grants from England. From the first she showed a new spirit, of victory, and a new method of team-work. Each diocese and nearly every parish was keenly conscious of its own responsibility and accepted it loyally. The financial goal was passed.

Certain Results Should Be Noted

1. Western bishops are able to place missionaries in the field with confidence that promised help will not fail.
2. Missionary clergy are much heartened in the knowledge that the whole church is behind them in their work.
3. Laymen rejoice that, through this corporate effort, their own local problem has been met. Their own missionary will receive his grant in full as soon as the parish has done its share.

It is to be hoped that this great success is evidence of the growth of sound conviction that the missionary enterprise is essential to the very life of the church. If lesser motives have entered in—such as paying in full to avoid reproach for failure—there is yet room for misgiving. Even the patriotic element, which rightly entered into the appeal of 1941, must give place to a fixed sense of responsibility for ALL the work of our Canadian church.

For this task, and for all that lies ahead, we pray that it may be given to us to perceive and know what things we ought to do and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same.

"KAPASIWIN CALLING!"

All Saints' Parish Hall was the scene of a reunion of those who have been to Kapasiwin, either to Summer Schools, or A.Y.P.A. Conferences. There was a splendid attendance, and a happy renewal of camp friendships.

The first part of the evening was devoted to games, with A. J. Brown as Master of Ceremonies. Afterwards Padres Wolff and Cuttall led in the singing of camp songs and sea-chanties. Archie Bowker (now in Air Force Uniform) gave a humorous recitation, and showed the movies of the 1940 A.Y.P.A. Conference. Archdeacon Tackaberry conducted a short service in the Cathedral to bring to a close a most enjoyable evening.

IN MEMORIUM

MR. GEORGE W. JONES

In the passing of Mr. G. W. Jones, whose death occurred on January 6th, the Diocese of Edmonton has lost a faithful layman. "G.W." (as he was known to hundreds of citizens) has been a lay-reader for well over thirty years, and had taken an active part in the building up of several congregations in the City of Edmonton. As far back as 1912 records show that he, together with Mr. G. Wilbraham and Mr. H. F. Jones, under the supervision of Canon McKim, was instrumental in opening up the district which later developed into the Parish of St. Mark. The work was started in a large tent and services were held there for over a year. Quoting from a pamphlet published at that time, "during the Winter the cold was intense and during the Summer the heat was trying."

Through later years "G.W." willingly gave his services wherever he was asked to go—St. Barnabas—St. Luke's—St. Matthew's and St. John's. All testify to the faithful work of him whom God has now called from the Church Militant to the Church Expectant.

Mr. Jones also took services at the old Edmonton Penitentiary and in relating his experiences used to confess how privileged and how touched he felt by the wonderful reception he received, of the chats he had with inmates, and how appreciated were his addresses.

He did not confine his work to that of a lay-reader only, but served for many years as Secretary of the Sunday School Teachers' Association (Edmonton Deanery) and also as Hon. Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society (North Alberta Auxiliary). In these offices too he gave of his best, always present always loyal, and always loving. "G.W." had a great gift in his love of music and the old Welsh tunes were a joy to him. His voice will be missed by many at future gatherings.

A quotation from a letter received after his death sums up the feelings of many friends—"To my mind, G. W. Jones was an example to the laity of the Anglican Church of what unswerving loyalty is. God alone knows his unselfish service—he fought a good fight." Surely for him also the welcome on the other side comes echoing down to those left behind "Well done good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING OF DIOCESAN W.A.

The January Meeting was held on Friday, 30th, at Christ Church, opening with Corporate Com-

munion at 10 a.m. Rev. E. S. Ottley was the Celebrant assisted by Archdeacon S. F. Tackaberry, Archdeacon Leversedge and Rev. W. de Vere Hunt.

The members appreciated the presence of the Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese at the service at which there were 90 communicants.

The meeting opened in the Parish Hall with Hymn 751. The Roll Call found all city Branches represented and two out of town branches.

Letters were read from Bishop A. E. Burgett and Archdeacon Cornish in reply to Christmas Greetings sent by the Board. The members stood in silent tribute to the memory of Canon G. G. Reynolds and Doctor L. C. Conn, also Mrs. Nivers, a former Life Member.

Treasurer reported \$148 sent to the Diocesan Home Mission Fund, \$4.00 to the Divinity Students' Fund. All pledges have been paid in full. Branches are asked to continue to send pledges in every three months.

The E.C.D. money was divided equally among the Juniors' and Little Helpers' departments for expenses. This amounted to \$20. Encouraging reports were given by the Dorcas and U.T.O. Secretaries.

Social Service Secretary reported 149 bales sent into the country and 91 in the city. A party had been given to 42 children at the City Shelter, 10 of whom were recently baptised by Canon A. M. Trendell. 16 of the children are attending Sunday School at All Saints' Mission.

Miss L. Jackson of the Social Agencies was introduced to the members and she expressed her willingness to address Branch Meetings. It is hoped Miss Jackson will be with us at a Board meeting in the not too distant future.

There are 42 Branches taking the Living Message.

Mrs. Reid reported on the "Book of Remembrance" and said it is hoped the book will be ready for the Annual Meeting.

The afternoon session opened with Hymn 576 and prayers were taken by Rev. S. J. Bell of Manville who afterwards gave a very helpful address on the theme, "Consecrated Lord to Thee." Mr. Bell said, "A great weight of responsibility rests on our Church today, and we should remind ourselves how Jesus, on the quiet shores of Galilee, called to the fishermen to 'Follow Me'. We cannot too often re-consecrate our lives to God."

The President, Mrs. S. F. Tackaberry, and Mrs. Reeves, presented a Hymn-and-Prayer Book to Mrs. Chamberlain, in loving recognition of many years spent on the Executive.

The C.B.L. Secretary reported a very promising group at St. Faith's. It is hoped there will soon be a group at St. Luke's, and at Jasper Place. At present there are groups at Wainwright, Ft. Saskatchewan and Drayton Valley.

Mrs. R. N. Yates, formerly a nurse at Aklavik, gave a very interesting talk on her two-and-a-half years spent in the Arctic.

Reports were given by the Secretaries of the Little Helpers', Juniors' and Girls' Depts. Prayer Partner Secretary read letters from Aklavik and St. Paul's, Cardston, and asked for prayers on behalf of Miss Grace Gibberd and Miss Sue Kelsey, who are in China.

The Missionary report told of the rearrangement of Missionaries returned from the East. Some have been sent to India, and to Aklavik.

The Literature Secretary reported some branches were not using the Study Book. Catalogues of Library books are being prepared for the branches.

It was announced that Miss Ruth Carruthers has been appointed Field Secretary to the M.S.C.C. and prayers are asked for her success in this new endeavour.

Votes of thanks were offered to all who had helped to make the meeting a success. The meeting closed with the Doxology and Rev. E. S. Ottley pronounced the Benediction.

Rural Deanery of Edmonton

ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL

REV. CANON A. M. TRENDALL, Rector

About a hundred members of the Congregation attended the Annual Meeting of the Parish on Monday evening, January 26th.

Reports were read from the different organizations and without exception they showed progress, and were able to begin the New Year with a credit balance.

The activities of the W.A. as usual, call for special mention, and during the year they presented the Vestry with more than \$400.00 towards the expense of decorating the Parish Hall, and towards the reduction of the mortgage account.

The Vestry were able to report that all Current Accounts for the year had been met, that the Mortgage Debt had been reduced by more than \$1,700.00, and that a balance of \$74.00 had been carried over into the New Year.

The Rector appointed Mr. G. A. Hunt as Rector's Warden, and Mr. H. Story was again elected Peoples' Warden. Other members of the Vestry were R. P. Lefroy, F. A. Richens, E. V. Butler, F. LeGassick, Dr. Lloyd Jones, Miss Hilda Whitaker, Mrs. L. Collins, J. A. Wetmore, J. E. B. DeWynter, H. Lamb, and Vernon Barford. Lay Delegates elected were G. A. Hunt, H. Story, R. P. Lefroy, G. R. F. Kirkpatrick, and F. A. Richens.

Confirmation Classes are already under way and it is hoped that the Confirmation will take place on Ascension Day, May 17th.

HOLY TRINITY

The REV. N. J. GODKIN, Priest-in-charge

Our Watch Night Service was in charge of Bishop Barfoot, assisted by the Rev. W. E. Edmonds.

During the "Week of Prayer" Holy Trinity held a Service on Thursday, January 8th, at which our Bishop was again in charge, assisted by the Rev. N. J. Godkin, and Rev. E. G. Turnbull, Minister of Knox United Church.

During the month we have also had the pleasure of having with us, Canon A. M. Trendell, and the Rev. E. S. Light.

Confirmation Classes have now commenced and are in charge of the Rev. N. J. Godkin. Classes are as follows: For junior members, on Thursday evenings from 7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m., and for adults, on Sunday afternoons from 4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Confirmation Service has been arranged for Holy Trinity on Sunday, March 29th, at our 11.00 a.m. Service.

Annual Meeting

Howard W. Tye was appointed Rector's Warden of Holy Trinity Church at the Annual Meeting recently. A. H. Templeton was elected People's

CHURCH MESSENGER

Warden. Other officers: T. S. Thompson, S. B. Clark, Mrs. W. J. Melrose, A. H. Lord, Dr. G. Huckell, T. H. Mackie, S. P. Dalton, G. T. Hutcheson, L. Pheasey, L. Suss, H. Wonnacott, T. P. Robarts, E. H. Rivers, all vestrymen. Lay delegates to the Synod are: Col. F. C. Jamieson, Mr. Tye, T. W. Bull, R. W. Johnson, M. S. Young, H. E. Roberts. Mr. Roberts also was elected Envelope Secretary, a position he has held for 17 years. An engraved Entree Dish was presented to him by T. S. Thompson, on behalf of the congregation. P. Greenwood was elected Convener of Sidemen, with P. D. Fowler as assistant.

Report by the Red Cross group in the Church showed a "great amount of work" done for the 152 men and 3 women from the parish who are serving in the Armed Forces. Financial report indicated an improvement in the financial status of the Church.

The Rev. N. J. Godkin, priest-in-charge, was chairman of the meeting. He paid tribute to the late Rector, Canon G. G. Reynolds, and one minute's silence was observed.

W.A.

The Annual Meeting of Holy Trinity W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. L. W. May, on Saskatchewan Drive, on January 13th. Before proceeding with the election of officers, two minutes' silence was observed in memory of the late Rector, Canon G. G. Reynolds. The Secretary gave a report of the year's work, and all other officers gave a brief summary of their work. Our President, Mrs. Scholes, resigned early in December, owing to ill-health, and a hearty vote of thanks was given to her, for her good work, and a small gift was sent to her at Christmas.

Rev. N. J. Godkin acted as Chairman during the election, and spoke a few words of appreciation and encouragement regarding our work for the coming year. The first activity planned is a Valentine Tea to be held at Mrs. May's, whose home is always open to us at any time.

Following are the new officers: Mrs. G. G. Reynolds was appointed Honorary President; Mrs. W. B. Chamberlain, Honorary First Vice-President; and Mrs. Arthur McLean, Honorary Second Vice-President; Mrs. C. R. Manahan, President; Mrs. Mrs. H. J. Wilson, First Vice-President; Mrs. C. L. Clibborn, Second Vice-President; Mrs. H. Saunders, Treasurer; Mrs. H. Taylor, Recording Secretary; Mrs. J. W. Mills, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Frank Lawton, Dorcas Superintendent; Mrs. J. Middleton, Junior Superintendent; Mrs. C. L. Clibborn, Girls' Superintendent; Mrs. G. M. Evans, Leaflet Secretary; Mrs. W. H. Sheppard, U.T.O. and E.C.D. Secretary; Mrs. C. E. K. Cox, Prayer Partner; Mrs. J. C. Macgregor, Hospital Visitor.

Choir

The Choir attended the "Service of Prayer" which was held in Holy Trinity Church on Thursday, January 8th.

Following this Service, the Annual Election of Officers for the coming year took place. Mrs. C. R. Manahan was re-elected President. Other officers elected to office were: Past President, Mr. G. Johnson; Vice-President, Mrs. T. Basinger; Secretary, Miss Margaret Smallian; Treasurer, Mr. F. Brown; Librarian, Miss Mildred Middleton; Assistant Librarian, Miss Molly Price; Mistress of Robes, Mrs. E. Smallian; Sick Visitor, Miss Ida Ellis; Auditor and Registrar, Mr. T. Walton; Choirmaster Secretary, Mrs. Middleton.

Plans for a party for 50 men of the Armed Forces are now under way.

Parish Guild

Mrs. Howard Tye was re-elected President of Holy Trinity Church Parish Guild at the Annual Meeting held at the home of Mrs. B. Stevens. Other officers are: Mrs. G. G. Reynolds, Honorary President; Mrs. A. H. Templeton, Vice-President; Mrs. Harold Hawe, Secretary; and Mrs. T. Morrison, Treasurer. Reports of the year's work showed a successful financial year.

Plans for a bridge party to be held in the H.B.C. Empire Room, on January 29th, were made. Mrs. Vernon Pearson, Mrs. Harry Jones, and Mrs. C. L. Clibborn are in charge.

Young Wives Fellowship

Young Wives Fellowship of Holy Trinity Church met recently in the Vestry to hear annual reports, and elect officers.

Mrs. W. T. Bull was elected President; Mrs. G. G. Reynolds, Honorary President; Mrs. Bruce Robarts, Secretary; and Mrs. L. Pheasey, Treasurer.

Girls' Club

On Monday, January 5th, the Holy Trinity Girls' Club held their Annual Election of Officers.

Mrs. G. G. Reynolds, Mrs. W. J. Melrose, and Mrs. Greenwood, were re-elected Honorary Presidents. The Executive is as follows: President, Margaret Climie; Vice-President, Margaret Smallian; Secretary, Betty Price; Treasurer, Mildred Middleton. As part of their War work, the Club packs a parcel—to be sent to a soldier overseas, each month.

On Monday, January 19th, the Club met at the home of Margaret and Jean Climie, when an enjoyable evening of games was spent.

CHRIST CHURCH

REV. E. S. OTTLEY, Rector

Women's Guild

The first meeting for 1942 was well attended, twenty-two members being present.

The president announced that six \$10.00 certificates had been purchased in the name of the Guild.

It was decided to arrange for a series of Nutrition Lectures early in February, and to invite the attendance of members of the W.A. and congregation. The committee appointed was Mrs. H. Kennedy, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Blaine and Mrs. Polley, who were to bring completed plans before the next meeting.

Annual report of the executive and conveners were then read and approved. The Treasurer reported total receipts for the year's work were \$430.55. Mrs. Forbes, for the calendar year, reported the collection of \$573 towards apportionments, of which the Guild collected \$317.

Rev. S. West then took the chair and elections were proceeded with. The results were as follows: Honorary President, Mrs. Ottley; Honorary Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Corbett, Miss Crosskill, Mrs. Aylen; President, Mrs. Thompson; First Vice-President, Mrs. Parry; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Blaine; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Neely; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Runte; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Young; Treasurer, Mrs. Moore; Conveners: Needlework, Mrs. McNabb; Linen, Mrs. Hinds; Choir, Mrs. Blaine; Tea, Mrs. Moss; Hangings, Miss Merryweather and Mrs. Sykes; Church Messenger, Mrs. Richardson.

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Mrs. Thompson then took the chair and after thanking the members took up unfinished business. It was decided to hold a bridge in the Parish Hall on the evening of Friday, January 30th. Committee in charge: Mrs. Parry, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Turner.

One of the oldest members of the Guild, Mrs. Cobbett, is leaving to reside at the Coast. Mrs. Forbes and Mrs. McNab were instructed to purchase a gift from the Guild and take to her in appreciation of her long years of service.

ST. FAITH'S

THE REV. W. M. NAINBY, Rector
Evening Group of W.A.

The first annual meeting of the Evening Group was held on January 7th, when reports were presented showing a very successful and happy year. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Honorary President, Mrs. W. M. Nainby; President, Mrs. Hodges; Vice-President, Mrs. W. Shillabeer; Secretary, Mrs. J. Cleveley; Treasurer, Mrs. R. Smith; Dorcas, Mrs. A. Potter; Social Service, Mrs. Prichard; War Services, Mrs. Shillabeer; Flowers, Miss H. Potter; Tea Convener, Miss E. Riddell; Fancy Work, Mrs. Chisholm and Mrs. Potter; Knitting, Miss H. Potter; Novelties, Mrs. Colley.

Annual Congregational Meeting

Annual reports and statements from all organizations were given at the annual meeting, and all showed steady progress and keen interest. The financial statements were particularly gratifying, and we confidently look to be free from all indebtedness by the end of this year. Mr. J. Carter was again chosen Rector's Warden, and Mr. B. Cooper re-elected People's Warden. The Vestry were chosen as follows: Messrs. Cleveley, Cole, Cooper (J.), Graham, Melnyk, Parlee, Potter, Roberts, Robinson, Shaw, Mrs. Hodges (Evening Group) and Mrs. Miller (W.A.).

Delegates to Synod: Messrs. Carter, Potter, Roberts and Robinson. Subs. J. Cleveley and A. Pirie.

Men's Guild

The regular meeting in January took the form of a 'Ladies' Night' and a most enjoyable social evening was spent, the programme being arranged by Cline Thompson.

The parish was delighted to welcome Bishop Barfoot at Morning Prayer on January 18th, when he preached the sermon.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Classes will commence on Wednesday, 4th February, and all who are desirous of being confirmed this year should give in their names to the Rector.

Sunday School

Newcomers to our Sunday School staff lately have been Mrs. Fairbrother, Miss Wagstaffe, Mrs. L. Roberts and Mrs. Field in the Primary School, and Mrs. W. B. Roberts and Mr. B. Cooper in the Senior School. After many years of faithful service as leader of the Girls' Bible Class, Mrs. W. Shillabeer is leaving shortly for Victoria. We shall miss her very much, and look forward to her return in the future.

The Senior Sunday is staging a Concert on Friday, February 13th, in the Parish Hall. Mrs. W. S. Allison has kindly taken charge of the whole concert.

Women's Auxiliary

Under the leadership of Mrs. E. Currey the W.A. meets each Wednesday afternoon. The members catered for the luncheon each day of the Clergy Conference.

Girl Guides

We offer our congratulations to Mrs. Thelma Graham, the leader of St. Faith's Girl Guides, who has recently been made a Commissioner of Girl Guides.

Dime-a-week Club

The "Dime-a-Week Club for 1942" has got off to a good start. Already there are over 140 members contributing, but we are anxious to increase this number if possible. The receipts have been pledged for arrears of taxes. Mr. H. Robinson is Secretary-Treasurer.

ST. PAUL'S, JASPER PLACE

REV. F. BAKER

The Annual Congregational Meeting was held on January 19th, the attendance was not large but much interest was shown by those present. The various reports read were encouraging and thanks were expressed to organizations and individuals for work done. Mr. H. A. Shepherd was appointed Vicar's Warden, and Mr. J. H. Dallamore was unanimously re-elected People's Warden. Members of the Vestry are Mr. Tolchard, Mr. Camroux, Mr. Young, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Adamson, Mrs. Harvey. At the close of the meeting a lunch was provided by the ladies present.

Our thanks to the W.A. for work done on our Parish Hall. The interior has been almost entirely re-arranged and redecorated, the position of the door has been altered and a porch built, so that the hall looks much better and is easy to heat even in the coldest weather.

Sunday School is now held in the Parish Hall and is in the process of re-organization. We need two more teachers and look for an increase in attendance. We regret that owing to ill-health it has been necessary for Mrs. Jeans to discontinue her teaching and we sincerely thank her for good work done.

A splendid report of work done was read at the annual meeting of the W.A., held at the home of Mrs. Jeans. At this meeting Mrs. F. Baker was made Honorary President, Mrs. Johnson, President, and Mrs. Nichols, Secretary-Treasurer.

The W.A. was responsible for two highly successful Social Evenings held in the Parish Hall during the month. These are part of the W.A. program and proved successful both financially and socially.

The W.A. invited Mrs. W. Nainby to address them with a view to the formation of a Junior W.A. group. This she very kindly consented to do at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Adamson, the result being that Mrs. Ritchie Dallamore and Mrs. H. Staples offered to take charge of this work and began with a meeting at Mrs. Dallamore's home on Tuesday, January 27th, with 29 girls present. Well done!!

We are looking forward to:

The visit of St. Paul's W.A. to the Social Service rooms on Wednesday, February 4th.

The Valentine Tea the W.A. is holding in the Parish Hall, 3 to 6 p.m., Wednesday, February 11th.

The visit of the Rev. R. Boas in connection with the formation of a C.B.L. group in our Parish, the date to be announced later.

ST. LUKE'S

REV. W. H. HATFIELD

The Christmas season is now but a memory, but a very happy one, in that the joy and gladness of the Festival and the services that preceded it will be borne in the hearts of many parishioners who were privileged to take part.

The White Gift services were most generously supported. The members of the Junior Choir and Bible Classes produced very successfully a Nativity Play; an empty manger which invited gifts was filled to overflowing both morning and evening. Two hundred and fifty parcels were later forwarded to the Social Service rooms for distribution, together with nuts and candy purchased with the offertory of the children.

At Evensong on December 21st. Barnby's "The First Christmas" was beautifully rendered by the combined Senior and Junior Choirs as a setting for four lovely tableaux—"The Annunciation", "The Visit of the Shepherds", "The Virgin's Lullaby" and "The Angel's Chorus". The children entered whole-heartedly into a reverent and beautiful presentation of the gift to the world of the Only begotten Son of God.

The midnight Eucharist was well attended. This service is always a happy occasion and the old hymns and carols were heartily sung.

During Christmas week the Sunday School parties were held, but this year the money usually spent in gifts for the children was donated to the "Milk for Britain Fund" through the Kinsmen's Club Radio Auction Sale. By this means it was possible to donate a lovely blanket to the Red Cross Society to be forwarded to some "Bombed out area" in England.

At the Annual Meeting of the Parish held early in January it was announced that the apportionments for 1941 and all Parish accounts had been met. The final payments on the Vicarage had also been made, a tribute to the unceasing efforts of the congregation and the good will of the whole community towards this project, for it has been due, in no small part, to the support of friends in the district and elsewhere that the balance due after the sale of the old Vicarage, has been raised in such a comparatively short time.

Sunday, February 1st, was an eventful day, when the Sunday School children's monthly service was held in the church, with full robed junior choir. The Rev. W. H. Hatfield took the children's service from the Prayer Book after which they sang the 23rd Psalm. Their test piece was on the Good Samaritan. Several of the youngest members of the choir sang very sweetly and impressively the "Angels Lullaby." The children were very interested when Mr. Hatfield took a tiny baby to the Chancel and "received him into the church" (having previously been baptized at his home). Leonard David Stephenson. Mr. Hatfield read a letter of thanks to the children that he had received from England acknowledging the contribution of £2.4s 9d that the Sunday School had sent to the Blind Institute for their work. This is to be used among the blind in Burma.

Service of admittance for new members of the Junior W.A. was then taken at the Altar, where eight girls received their certificates. They were: Audrey Low, Barbara Milne, Muriel Parsons, Dorothy Ritchie, Betty Smith, Dorothy Otto, Barbara Williams, Dorothy Low. While still kneeling, the congregation sang Hymn 640 "I Would Be True." One could not go away from such a service, without a prayer of thankfulness to

God that, we, in this country, can bring our children boldly to the Altar without fear and trembling.

What a blessed chance we have of building up and instilling into the minds of the children good seed, that may spring up and bear fruit, in the coming generation. "Feed My Lambs."

ST. PETER'S

REV. S. FAULKES

The services at Christmas time were very well attended. Certainly everyone who observed the season in this way found blessing and inspiration, so sorely needed in these days of fear in men's hearts, and distress among nations.

St. Peter's choir prepared a Cantata, which with Christmas Carols provided the congregation with an excellent hour of fine music and old time melodies of this joyful season.

Bishop Barfoot made his second visit to St. Peter's on January 11th, when at the morning service he confirmed sixteen persons. This was, as at Calder, a banner occasion, and one of those events which fortifies the individual person's faith, and binds each one into the fellowship of the community of the faithful.

St. Peter's was glad to welcome on January 25th, at the morning service Archdeacon Tackaberry, their former rector for many years.

Annual meetings, including the general meeting, indicated an excellent state of affairs throughout the parish. Congratulations are due to all who helped to effect this state of affairs, which is most encouraging to all concerned with management in the year 1942.

GOOD SHEPHERD

REV. S. FAULKES

Christmas time was observed in the traditional manner of this congregation, and so it was that the midnight service on the Eve of the Nativity was well attended by many parishioners and communicants.

The Sunday after Christmas at 1 o'clock the Sunday School pupils and their parents filled the church to overflowing, for a service of Christmas thoughts and carols.

It is good to report that annual meetings in this parish are most encouraging, as the various groups are lively in activity. Their finances are in good order, and the parish is able to begin the year free of debt. This calls for the grateful acknowledgement of the people to those officers and workers who helped to achieve this state, and is certainly an encouragement to us all in 1942.

Bishop Barfoot paid his first visit to the parish church of Calder on the 11th of January, when at the evening service he confirmed six persons before a large congregation of their friends and relations.

Archdeacon Tackaberry visited this, his former parish, on the last Sunday in January, and was welcomed by many of his friends at the evening service.

ST. MARY'S

REV. A. ELLIOTT

The W.A. held its first meeting of the season on January 12th. The President gave a very inspiring address, thanking the members for their loyalty, and co-operation, during the past year. The Vicar then took the chair for the election of officers.

President, Mrs. E. H. Reeves; First Vice-President, Mrs. C. Robinson; Second Vice-President, Mrs. A. C. Jackson; Secretary, Mrs. C. Baines; Treasurer, Mrs. W. Croft; Little Helpers, Mrs. H.

Some Lessons of the War

II.—THE LOVE OF FREEDOM

By Rev. Ebenezer Scott, M.A., B.D.

German aggression has only served to bring to the surface the deep, unquenchable love of freedom that lies in the hearts of men. We British hold no monopoly in this elemental instinct of the human constitution. The glory that was Greece has not vanished. We have rediscovered in the modern Greeks the likeness of Leonidas and his three hundred who held the Persians at bay at Thermopylae. The spirit of the Netherlands which rose against the devilries of Spain in the sixteenth century was waiting to withstand the barbarous German hordes of the twentieth century. Russia is fighting, not for Bolshevism, but for freedom. There is still a "Free France"; the name it has taken to itself is redolent of the whole character and history of the French people, whose fair renown had been dragged in the dust by corrupt schemers and cowardly traitors. The great American Republic, under the guidance of President Roosevelt, has recognized, with a true spiritual insight, that there can be no isolation from the still greater republic of human freedom.

Now we cannot help remarking that the freedom for which men have always fought seems not so much to be individual, as national freedom. Of course, it is obvious that an individual, or a few individuals, cannot make actual war. The caged eagle can do no more than beat against its bars. At the same time, it is true that the real gauge of battle has often been thrown down by the solitary martyr, or by the small band of witnesses. It is only when whole nations are involved that we see the war in process. War in little escapes our notice; we need to see war at large before we can fully understand the strength of freedom as a primary impulse in the human heart.

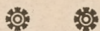
But it would also seem that national freedom comes first in the order of thought and in the reality of things, as well as in the order of history. National freedom is not only the first to strike our attention; it is the first to assert itself. Men must be gathered together in the name of freedom before freedom can have free course, and find its voice. Hitler's pure racialism is an absurd fiction; probably no nation on earth is entirely unmixed in race. But the division into nations is itself part of the divine plan. Each nation yields after its kind, that it may contribute of its best gifts to the common welfare of the whole. At the same time God has made all nations of one blood to dwell on the face of the earth. As national freedom comes before individual freedom, the freedom of each nation must be grounded on the universal brotherhood of mankind proclaimed by Christ.

Yet all the time it is the individual who is seeking to assert his freedom through the freedom of the nation of which he is a citizen on earth. National freedom is essential if personal freedom is ever to have full scope, but it is the personality of each individual within the state that is fundamentally at stake. National and individual freedom are closely interlocked. If the nation is in slavery, none of its citizens is a free man. But even if the nation is absolutely independent, as long as any individual within it is not given every opportunity to develop his own personality, then the nation itself is not entirely free. The Gospel of Christ drives freedom down to the individual,—to the personal will, to the inward spirit, to the relations between the soul and its God. Yet the redeemed soul enters into its fullest freedom through its membership in the Kingdom of God. The ideal republic of the Christian is the citizenship in heaven.

We must strain every nerve to win this war. For of one thing we may be certain,—if this war is not won, there will be another, and another, as long as there is a spark of the love of freedom in the human breast.

As we appreciate the sympathy and help of America in our present struggle, we cannot sum up this second Lesson of the War in fitter words than in those of her great freedom-loving poet, Walt Whitman,—

"When Liberty goes out of a place, it is not the first to go,
nor the second or third to go,
It waits for all the rest to go—it is the last."



Comments Original and Otherwise

"Curate"

A CHRISTIAN IN THE FINE SENSE OF THE WORD?

In a recent broadcast address the Bishop of London answered that question. It is a tremendously important one. Here is what he said as reported in *The Church Times*.

"In a country like this with a long Christian tradition, almost everyone who believes in God does so in some degree *through* Jesus Christ. His thought about God is influenced by the words and acts of Jesus Christ and to that extent he is a Christian. But in the true sense of the word, a Christian is one who stands to our Lord in a direct personal relation of trust and devotion, one who can say with St. Thomas, 'My Lord and my God,' or with St. Peter, despite all his disloyalties and betrayals, 'Lord, Thou knowest all things: Thou knowest that I love Thee.' It is to that personal allegiance that our Lord calls all who will follow Him. We cannot manufacture that kind of response to Him. It must be spontaneous, from the heart, part of our life and growing with our growth. But once the impulse of faith is there, we can help it to grow, and the first way to do that is to act upon it. When in the Gospels men turned to our Lord for advice or healing, He almost always gave them something to do. 'Take up thy bed,' 'Go, show yourself to the Priest,' 'Sell all that thou hast.' Action tests faith and strengthens it. Faith in Christ demands action with and for Christ."

We are all in agreement—at least I hope so—in regard to the importance of Baptism and Confirmation, but sufficient emphasis is not always laid on the fact that if these ordinances do not lead to "a personal relation of trust and devotion" to Jesus Christ, then their purpose has not been effected. It was the fact that movement known as the Oxford Group did emphasize that truth, that appealed to many people, and which led to changed or converted lives, that today are living evidence of the power of God's Holy Spirit to deliver men from the shackles of sin and indifference.

If at the present time some of those who have been leaders in this movement, have drifted into some kind of unrealistic pacifism, don't let us, on that account discard what was helpful in their teaching. Don't let us blow away the wheat with the chaff. In my judgment there is

no man in England who is doing more to revitalize religion, than Bishop Walter Carey, sometime Bishop of Bloemfontein. Bishop Carey is a pronounced Anglo-Catholic. Here is what he says in his little book "The Search for God". "If I could, I would plant in every town and village, wholehearted, reborn, converted Christians, as individuals, and as groups or cells, and from this leaven something would spread to the nation and the world." It sounds very Oxford Groupy, does it not?

DR. CHARLOTTE WHITTON RESIGNS

The Canadian Welfare Council has accepted with regret a resignation it refused two years ago—that of Dr. Charlotte Whitton, C.B.E., Executive Director of the Council for the last fifteen years, and one of the most outstanding social workers in the country. No announcement has been made as to Dr. Whitton's intentions for the future but I would venture to express the hope that she will find time to contribute articles on matters of Church and State, for publication in our daily papers. There is no one in Canada better qualified. Dr. Whitton is an Anglican. I have a hope that some day we may induce Dr. Whitton to write for *Church Messenger*.

BISHOP ROWE OF ALASKA

What a marvellous man is Bishop Rowe of Alaska! On November 20th he will have completed 85 years of age, and 10 days later he will celebrate the 46th anniversary of his consecration, and still he remains full of energy and activity. He was born in Canada, and is a graduate of Trinity College, Toronto. Here is a story about him that I came across recently.

One summer when he started his annual visitation he was aboard an Alaskan steamer on which were travelling many tourists. One of them who happened to be a Churchwoman asked the Bishop where he lived. Bishop Rowe replied, "That question is rather difficult to answer. I have my episcopal residence in Sitka, which used to be the capital of Alaska; my cathedral is in Juneau, the present capital of Alaska; my office is in Seattle, my home is in Victoria, but I live under my hat."

A BRAVE NEW WORLD

Elizabeth McCracken is well known as a writer and speaker in the United States. Here is what was said recently about the new world that many people are talking about.

"We talk of a new world. How many have any idea what it will cost? Will our Congressmen agree to a low tariff, which that new world will need? No. They would not let Argentina serve her own beefsteaks in her own building at the San Francisco Fair!

"That is where the Church comes in. She may exert enough influence to get *this* country to do her part. But beyond that? I do not know whether we are going to get dynamics enough to make the bad world that will come after the war into a good world. Sometime or other the Church must do her part. I believe she *will*. Unless our adherence to the true faith can match the adherence of Hitler's cohorts to a false faith, we cannot make a new, good world. Pray God may increase our faith!"

FORWARD DAY BY DAY

(Monthly Selection)

Tuesday, Dec. 2—Read Revelation 3: 14-22.

"Nominal Christians"

I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. . . . As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

When the National Preaching Mission was crossing the continent a few months ago, it came with expectancy to one of our larger cities. A layman whose name is a household word in the religious and business world of America addressed the missionaries at the very beginning. He said with tremendous earnestness, "Brethren, we are glad you have come. But you have come too late. Christianity in America is dying at this moment."

Then he said quickly, "Oh, I know there are fifty or sixty millions of *nominal* Christians in America; but a nominal Christian in such a time as this is a heavier liability to Jesus Christ than an out-and-out pagan."

That Christianity is on its death-bed we do not believe. But the second statement is absolutely true. What can Christ do with a nominal Christian?

I have to confess that after reading the above I spent an uncomfortable half hour asking myself whether the particular brand of Christianity I was exhibiting was an asset or a liability to Jesus Christ.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, MONTREAL

I have just finished reading a History of Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, written by Dr. F. D. Adams in connection with the 150th anniversary of the Cathedral's existence. It is an interesting story of Church life and activities during the century and a half just completed. To me personally it brought back the names of many whom I had known and worked with long ago, such as Bishops Bond, Carmichael, Baldwin, and Sullivan, also Morton, Symonds, Forneret

and others. It is of great importance that such a parish history should be put into such a form that it can be handed down to succeeding generations. The fact that it will be so handed down, makes me regret the author's reference to Archbishop Bond, that his "picture of the Pilgrims' way" could be likened to Bunyan's allegory in which the flame and smoke of the Valley of the Shadow of Death, largely obscured, the view which Christians saw from the large upper chamber in the House Beautiful. This Dr. Adams says is the impression he got of Bishop Bond's influence after "sitting under" him when he was Rector of St. George's, Montreal. But Dr. Tucker also "sat under" him, and formed quite a different opinion. I never "sat under" him as the saying goes, but in the earlier years of my ministry I had frequent correspondence with him. I have heard him address confirmation candidates. I have entertained him in my own home. My impression of him is, that he was one of the most staunch, but also one of the most lovable old Christians I have ever known. Had he been a man who mostly breathed smoke and flame, so many mothers in the diocese would not have given their sons the Christian name of Bond as a tribute of love and respect.

CHURCHILL CAPTURES WASHINGTON

One of the most thrilling bits of composition I have recently come across, is the description by Mr. L. B. Shapiro of the ovation accorded Prime Minister Churchill when he addressed officialdom in Washington. He likened the occasion to Dicken's Christmas Carol, replete with Christmas Past, Christmas Present, and Christmas Future.

Christmas Past represented the long days of bitter debate when men like Wheeler and Nye made all sorts of charges against England and Churchill in particular.

Christmas Present recalled the picture of the President and Prime Minister together lighting the Christmas tree on the White House grounds.

And Christmas Future—here I quote—
"And Christmas Future—not a dismal augury but an exceedingly joyous event as the Senate of the United States gives a standing ovation to the same Winston Churchill, Prime Minister of Great Britain, and among those standing and applauding are Senators Wheeler and Nye. The skeptics have discovered truth, and there is abounding faith in a happy future."

UNITED SERVICES IN TORONTO

United Services are being held in Toronto in which the following congregations are taking part—Calvin Presbyterian, Christ Church Deer Park, Deer Park United Church, Grace Church on the Hill, Timothy Eaton Memorial Church, and Yorkminster Baptist Church. The purpose is to bear witness to the essential unity of spirit, and by prayer and preaching, to further the cause of Christ, in the neighbourhood and community.

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A PRIMATIAL SEE

Now that the final stage in the change in the canons governing the election of a bishop for the diocese of Rupert's Land, and an Archbishop for the province of Rupert's Land, is approaching, and the question of a fixed primatial see has arisen, it is well for us to pause and give further serious consideration to the whole subject. As the question arising in the province of Rupert's Land may affect all the ecclesiastical provinces, the points arising in that province may have general application.

The first is, should ecclesiastical provinces in the Church of England in Canada continue? And the second, if they should continue, should the see of the Archbishop be fixed?

At the last meeting of the Executive Council of the General Synod the question of a fixed Primatial See, and where it should be situated, was up for discussion, but was left in abeyance. Investigation discloses that there is a strong sentiment within the Church in favour of a fixed primatial see, and very strong reasoning in its favour has developed. The geographical and physical conditions of our country appear to be inexorably forcing that conclusion upon the minds of our representative churchmen. Linked to the question of the fixed primatial see is the idea that the Primate should not be charged with the episcopal duties of a diocese but should be left free to perform only primatial duties, involving a general supervision over all dioceses in the country.

The question thereupon arises, if the Primate will be free to supervise the diocese and will have no other episcopal duties to perform, should the ecclesiastical provinces be abolished? Some of those advocating the change affecting the Primate state frankly that the ecclesiastical provinces should cease to exist. This would mean more centralization in the affairs of the Church and more delay and irritation arising out of matters affecting such territories as the Western Prairies and the Pacific Coast. One must recognize that there are separate and distinct problems arising,—in the Prairies, on the Pacific and in the Arctic, which cannot be judged from the conditions in Eastern Canada.

All experience points now to the conclusion that centralization in the work of the Church has reached its limit of benefit in the missionary, educational and welfare departments of the Church, and that there is much danger in further centralization, especially if the focal point be fixed East of the Great Lakes. It would also be a great pity if the Primate became a kind of travelling superintendent of dioceses with no see of his own,—and thereby be detached from and denied the advantage of the daily practice and influence of active episcopal duties and contacts. The result would probably be impairment of his knowledge, and full appreciation of problems continually confronting the Bishops and recurring in the life of the Church.

There is good reason for a fixed primatial see, where all the machinery for performing the functions of a primate can be at hand and available for the speedy disposition of questions and where the officers of the Church can be consulted as the problems arise. Owing to the

size and physical conditions of the country a fixed see must, of necessity, be a long distance from several diocesan headquarters, making for delay in gathering local information and rendering it impossible for the Primate to acquire necessary local knowledge on questions arising in those distant territories. For that reason there should be adequate machinery for disposition of matters more or less of a provincial nature. Provincial synods are in keeping with tradition in the Church of England and that machinery has stood the test of time and service in the Church throughout the British Empire. In the Episcopal Church of the United States of America the plan of centralization has been tried, but is being abandoned in favour of separate districts comparable with, in principle, our ecclesiastical provinces.

Perhaps some re-adjustment, from time to time, to meet changing conditions, may be necessary. That was realized in and was the basis of the revision of the Canons of the General Synod some years ago. The answer to the need for adjustment in the powers and functions of the General and Provincial Synods respectively is not the abolition of the Provincial Synods.

It is submitted that the remedy is to make them more vigorous and active and to arrange for co-ordination of the work of the Provincial Synods with that of the General Synod.

The people of Canada would never be reconciled to the abolition of the Provincial legislatures,—but a large proportion of them realize that some re-arrangement has become necessary in the powers conferred upon the Legislatures and the duties imposed upon the governments of Canada and the Provinces respectively,—and for that reason, action to revise the British North America Act is developing.

The same changed conditions in the country have given rise to the need of revision in our Church organization. It does not mean destruction, it means fortifying and adjusting.

The question for the province of Rupert's Land is part of the general question raised by the proposal for a fixed primatial see and relieving the Primate of his diocesan duties. What applies to the Primacy also applies to all the provinces in the matter of a fixed Metropolitan see. It is all one question and should be decided as such. Perhaps these times are too unsettled for a decision to be made now. Further study of the whole problem should be made, and changes made after careful deliberation on all aspects of the case.

Yours very truly,

J. PREUDHOMME.

LESSONS ON THE PRINCE OF PEACE

Canon C. E. Raven

(Bishop of London's Book for Lent)

Price 75 cents



G. B. R. E.

The Lore of the Month

By C. J. Jenkinson

From the early days of Christian history the second day of February has been held in commemoration of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The popular name, Candlemas, is derived from the old custom of carrying lighted candles to Mass on this day, in honour of Christ, the Light of the World, presented in the Temple forty days after Christmas. Hence originated the custom for women to bear lights at the churching ceremony.

Considering the importance attached to this Festival, it is scarcely surprising that the condition of the weather on Candlemas Day should have been full of significance to the superstitious.

"If Candlemas Day
be dry and fair,
The half of winter's to come
and mair;
If Candlemas Day
be wet and foul,
The half of winter's gane at
Yule."

In view of the austerities that were to follow during the season of Lent, the people of the Middle Ages indulged in merriment on Shrove Tuesday, though it was also a day on which confessions were made and the priests "shrove" the laity. Pancakes were devoured with such zest that it might have been thought some religious principles were involved in the ceremony.

At Westminster School a quaint custom is still observed. On the stroke of eleven the cook, carrying a pancake in a pan, emerges from the kitchen, and is conducted by one of the Abbey vergers to the schoolroom.

Advancing to the bar separating the upper school from the lower, the cook tosses the pancake over, and a mighty scramble ensues. The boy who secures the pancake, or the largest fragment thereof, forthwith proceeds to the Deanery and is rewarded with an honorarium of one guinea from the Abbey Funds.

Among the pastimes of Shrove Tuesday the

cruel sport of cock-fighting appears to have been the most popular. Hens that had not begun to lay were thrashed with a flail.

"At Shrovetide to shroving go, thrash the fat hen,
If blindfold can kill her, then give it thy men."

During Lent the devout at one time abstained from food until the evening meal, though children, the old, and manual workers were exempt

from this rule: it was sufficient if they abstained from flesh meat.

On Ash Wednesday the heads of the people were sprinkled with ashes of the palms blessed on the previous Palm Sunday. During this ceremony the priests repeated the words: "Remember now that thou art dust, and to dust thou shalt return."

"The Wednesday next—a solemn day—

To Church they early go,
To sponge out all the foolish deeds

By them committed so.
They money give,
and on their heads

The priest doth ashes lay,
And with his holy water

Washeth all their sins away."

For the true meaning of Lent we cannot do better than read, mark, learn

and inwardly digest one of Herrick's poems:—

1. Is this a Fast, to keep
The larder lean
And clean
From fat of veals and sheep?
2. No—'tis a Fast to dole
Thy sheaf of wheat
And meat
Unto the hungry soul.
3. It is to fast from strife,
From old debate
And hate,
To circumcise thy life
4. To show a heart grief-rent,
To starve thy sin,
Not bin;
And that's to keep thy Lent."



A mighty scramble ensues.

Home Horizons

By Charity Mauger



Sometime in 1941 there appeared a fascinating book known as "Victorian Cakes", and it was our good luck to have a copy sent us as a Christmas present. The author is Caroline B. King whose name is familiar to readers of some of the women's magazines. The book is a series of autobiographical sketches, in-

terspersed with directions for the making of the many elaborate and pretentious cakes which graced every occasion in the affluent Victorian days. Strangely enough these Victorian cakes were made in Chicago, but the author's family were of English and Irish descent and many of the receipts were traditional. Indeed they had to be interpreted for present-day reading, the directions for "tumblers, wineglasses, pinches and double pinches", being reduced to cups and spoons.

There are Cornish teacakes, Simnel cake, Shrewsbury cake, Marble cake, Princess Louise cake, Chelsea buns, Seed cake, and many others; also an elaborate Sally Lunn, made with yeast and milk fresh from the cow, the recipe said to have been invented by Sally herself. Delightful reminiscences link the cakes and occasions.

One cannot but think of Della Lutes and her "Country Kitchen" when reading "Victorian Cakes", although the setting and background are very different. But both set a delightful style of writing cookbooks, and each introduces a father who by his pronounced tastes influences the culinary course. It was because her father found her reading Jane Eyre at night when she should have been sleeping, and after burning the book, commanded her to read nothing but cookbooks for the next year, that her career as a dietetic expert really started for the author of "Victorian Cakes".

We have had one Canadian writer of a cook book with breezy comment, but without nearly so much autobiography—Cynthia Brown. Personally, it's a form of writing that makes a great appeal.

No doubt some of you would like some of these old English recipes. We will start off with the Cornish tea cakes, and the Simnel cake which is associated with Mothering Sunday, the Sunday in mid-Lent:

Cornish Cakes

- 1 tablespoon butter.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar.
- 1 cup sweet milk.
- Pinch of cinnamon.
- 1 beaten egg.

- 1 cup cleaned currants.
- $2\frac{1}{2}$ cups flour.
- 1 teaspoon baking powder.

It is explained that "the baking powder was Mother's inspiration. It seemed this original recipe called for no leavening, but in her opinion the cakes were improved by its use. All the ingredients were mixed to a soft dough, kneaded for a few seconds very lightly, then rolled out about one-fourth inch thick, cut in diamonds, brushed with beaten egg yolk mixed with a little milk, sprinkled sparingly with sugar and baked in a hot oven."

Simnel Cakes

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| 4 eggs. | 3 cups flour |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ cup butter. | (approximate). |
| 1 cup sugar. | 1 cup sultana raisins. |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ yeast cake. | $\frac{1}{2}$ cup currants. |
| 1 teaspoon mixed spices. | 3 tablespoons shaved |
| 1 teaspoon saffron. | candied peels. |
| 1 cup milk. | Candied cherries |
| | for decoration. |

The milk is scalded with the saffron, and strained when lukewarm. The yeast is crumbled in it, butter and sugar creamed and added with a portion of the flour with which has been sifted the spices. Eggs are beaten in one at a time; then more flour with the fruit. The mixture should be thick, but not a dough. When well mixed turn into a well-buttered mould and let rise to double its size in a warm place. Then steam for $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours before baking for 1 hour in a slow oven. When cool ice with a thin paste of sugar, cream and flavouring. Decorate with the cherries.

"I'll to thee a Simnell bring,
'Gainst thou go'st a mothering
So that, when she blesseth thee,
Half that blessing thou'll give me."
—Herrick (?)

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Hammering at Stone Wall Prejudices

That woman-editor-friend of ours who owned a weekly paper, and had her editorial comment quoted as widely as any other rural newspaper, has sold her paper. We thought she did not feel equal to the work and worry involved, with skilled mechanics scarce and expensive, but to our surprise she came to look over the paper in our village which is for sale, and expressed her intention of having another weekly as soon as possible. She gave up her first venture because she did not see signs of municipal improvement to the extent she felt she should after four years' constructive scolding on her part! She wrote of the evils of white flour and the virtue of the germ which is milled away, and she received forty press clippings of



comments in other papers, but the people in her village continued to eat white bread.

This belief that swift, concrete evidence of reform should manifest itself seems almost naive. No doubt her influence was far more effective than she had dreamed, and will some day bear fruit. Also, it is extremely likely that her next community, even if it has, as she wishes, a Service Club, to back up good works, will seem for a long time quite indifferent to suggestions from a newcomer. But that does not say that no progress is being made.

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Accept Hospitality At Last

Our bird shelf just outside the kitchen window, which opens on a hinge is a constant joy this winter. Last year the birds never came near it and even the bag of suet (an openwork string bag, a small edition of those which hold tennis balls), which was hung on a tree some distance from the house, was hardly touched. We felt that Terry and Peter were to blame for this shunning of us. Alas, we have no Terry this winter, and no successor to him, and it was while we were in the city for a few days, and Peter was visiting the vet. that the birds discovered and approved our shelf. Now all through the day there are nuthatches, chickadees, sparrows—and occasionally starlings—feasting. There seems to be an amicable arrangement as to feeding times for various types of birds, and suet, crumbs, crusts and so on make appeal to different birds. Only the sparrows and starlings arrive together and decide to eat the same food and the ensuing wrangling is like the squeals of angry rats. The tapping of the long hard bill of the nuthatch can be heard all over the house, as though an unseen visitor were seeking admittance.

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Two Horns of a Dilemma

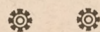
We are fortunate enough to have much good talk at our table and fireside, and sometimes it is well there is no one in the kitchen waiting for the dishes, or that the little folding alarm clock doesn't have to assert itself too early in the morning. Many of the subjects which come up could easily be extended into discussions that would interest many of you all Canada over.

For instance, someone brought up the unhappy lot of many unmarried daughters of farm homes who serve faithfully, while aging parents are ailing and dying, and then so often are left at the mercy of the brother to whom the farm has been willed, and who has a wife and family of his own. Brigid contributed the information that some years ago a premier of Ontario had been prepared to bring in a bill ensuring the single woman, under those circumstances, a share of the property, or money, if there were any. It had not been passed, because the women had shown no interest in it. However, one could quite well believe that insufficient publicity had been given the proposed law, and that it was an example of the mistake of anticipating public opinion.

By a strange coincidence soon after that discussion, the matter came up again, when there

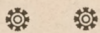
was present a wideawake woman who, with her husband, had lived for a number of years on a farm, until his recall to military duties had brought them back to the city. She at once explained that she had been secretary to her lawyer father who had gone about the country in connection with settlement disputes, and that during her life on their farm they had come upon a number of unhappy results of a woman having been willed by her father a sum of money which had beggared the son to pay. Her entire sympathy was with the son who had inherited the farm, but no cash. Her solution was that the dependent daughter should go and work in some other home as she had in her own, and thus earn her living.

There is, of course, much to be said on both sides, but surely the tired and often worked-out and often elderly and unattractive spinster, should not be begrudged a comfortable room and a share of the food in the home she has helped to maintain, at least until she has restored bodily strength and spiritual courage.



Diocese of Quebec

The war has come home to the Church in the diocese in a very sudden and unexpected way. The Royal Rifles of Canada, which was recruited in the diocese, left Quebec in October arrived in Hong Kong in November and became prisoners of war on Christmas Eve. Hundreds of homes of Churchmembers in the city and district, on the Gaspé Coast and in the Eastern townships which have heard of heavy casualties being sustained by the Canadians have been thrown into deep anxiety. The second in command of the regiment is Major John H. Price, a Cathedral Vestryman. A. Cecil Thomson, Esq., K.C., Honorary Diocesan Counsel, is another officer. The chaplain is the Rev. James Barnett, formerly Cathedral Curate. Dr. S. Martin Banfill, of East Angus Parish, Medical Officer. Lieut. A. Beresford Scott is a Cathedral Vestryman. Capt. F. Temple Atkinson and Lieut. John H. C. McGreery are of St. Matthew's Parish, Quebec.



Diocese of Algoma

The past few months have seen three much needed building projects successfully carried to completion. The congregation of St. John's, New Liskeard, now possesses a new rectory, opposite the church, in place of an old and very inadequate one at a considerable distance away. St. John's, Copper Cliff, has also built a rectory, much more convenient and suitable than the former one, which the congregation was fortunate enough to sell. And the mission of Sundridge has a new parsonage, replacing an old one which was found to be beyond repair.

The Church of Epiphany, Sudbury, is erecting a fine and commodious parish hall, which has been greatly needed for the rapidly expanding activities of the parish. The Bishop of Algoma recently laid the corner stone of the structure.



FEBRUARY

1. SEPTUAGESIMA.

Ignatius, Bishop and Martyr (Antioch), Circ. 109.

2. Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

8. SEXAGESIMA.

14. Valentine, Bishop and Martyr, 270.

15. QUINQUAGESIMA.

18. **Ash Wednesday.**

22. FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT.

24. **St. Matthias, Apostle and Martyr.**

25. Ember Day.

27. Ember Day.

28. Ember Day.

THE LOST COIN

By E. R. James

What woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light the candle and sweep the house and seek diligently till she find it.—St. Luke 15: 8.

You gave your little daughter a doll. With beaming face she hugged it to her bosom and very probably took it to bed with her that night. Have you noticed the emphasis in her voice when she says: "My dolly". She is striving to teach you a profound and primitive truth. It is her doll. She is the owner. With the instinct of ownership she clutches her doll.

The instinct of ownership is found in everyone. It is a gift from God Himself, Who is the owner of us all. This is the fundamental truth running through the three parables of "The lost coin", "The lost sheep" and "The prodigal son". God made man in His own image and gave him His own gift of ownership with its resulting sense of loss.

How true to life is the story. Every woman who heard it nodded her head. It is just what she would do. Her sense of ownership would spur her to turn the house upside down till she found the coin. You remember how glad you were when you found that overcoat you left in the train. Why? Your sense of ownership caused you to tell your friends how you found it. "I have found that which was lost." Christ would teach us that God, who is the owner of us all, feels the loss of even one individual.

In God's sight the individual is important. God deals with the individual. An important truth for this generation which thinks in the mass. "You belong to God," says the Christ, "you are His property, His child."

Furthermore that coin represents compressed power. It is generally given for value received. Human effort, labour, energy and industry have gone into that coin. It contains something of the life and blood of a man or woman; his energy, his enthusiasm, his zeal.

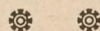
When a member of God's family is lost God Himself as the owner has lost something of spiritual value, energy, enthusiasm and zeal shut up in that individual. A clever American economist remarks that money shut up or lost is money out of circulation. So the lost coin, the lost individual, is for the time being out of circulation in God's family.

Further, the Lord would teach us that a man is lost when he is out of helpful contact and circulation with his fellow man. You man be so buried in your business interests that you are out of touch with human life that is passing by you; its troubles and sorrows have no effect upon you. To that extent you are a lost coin.

You may be an excellent house wife, absorbed in the cares and duties of the family circle. Nothing but the family affects you. You are not interested in those living outside your house. You are in that sense a lost coin in God's sight. You have no contact or circulation with other members of God's family.

This was the sin of the Pharisee, for whom the parable was spoken. The Pharisee was absorbed in saving his own soul and refused to think of his fellow man in trouble and sorrow. In the truest sense of the word the Pharisee was out of circulation in God's sight. The Pharisee refused to put his zeal, his enthusiasm, his energy into touch and contact with his brethren, members of God's family. He was a lost coin in God's sight. The Pharisee lives in every generation—a very devout member of your Church—yet out of touch with human life and sorrow. Are you a Pharisee?

THE CAPTAIN OF OUR SALVATION IS NOT
ASHAMED TO CALL US BRETHREN



A DIOCESE

Very interesting statistics about the diocese of Oxford were adduced by the Bishop in the course of his address to the Diocesan Conference. Dr. Kirk pointed out that the diocese contained within its borders the two Universities of Oxford and Reading, no less than eleven religious communities, mostly in Berkshire, of several of which the Bishop is *ex-officio* Visitor, and twenty-five schools for boys and girls, of such size and importance as to have obtained by long custom the right to a separate Confirmation each year. All these calls for episcopal administration, and many others, especially when added to the oversight of the parishes, over six hundred in number, and possessing among them 850 churches in which divine Service is held at least once every Sunday, might seem to suggest that the diocese was too large and ought to be divided. Perhaps that was the ultimate solution, but it was most certainly not practical politics today, and meanwhile there was nothing in the present proposal to prejudice it.



One Communion and Fellowship

FEBRUARY

"Our blessed Lady Mary
In God's own town,
With the stars for her Rosary
And sunshine for her gown."

—*Medieval Hymn.*

"She, by highest Heaven adored,
Mary, Mother of our Lord."

—*American, modern.*

February is a quiet month. Past is Christmas with the scarlet and vivid green of its holly. Yet to come is Easter, radiant in white and gold and crowned with her lily flowers. February is quiet and colourless. The drooping snowdrop is a fit emblem flower, "the faire maid of February." The carols and rejoicing of Christmas belong to December, but have overflowed into January with the Feast of the Three Kings, the Church's Epiphany.

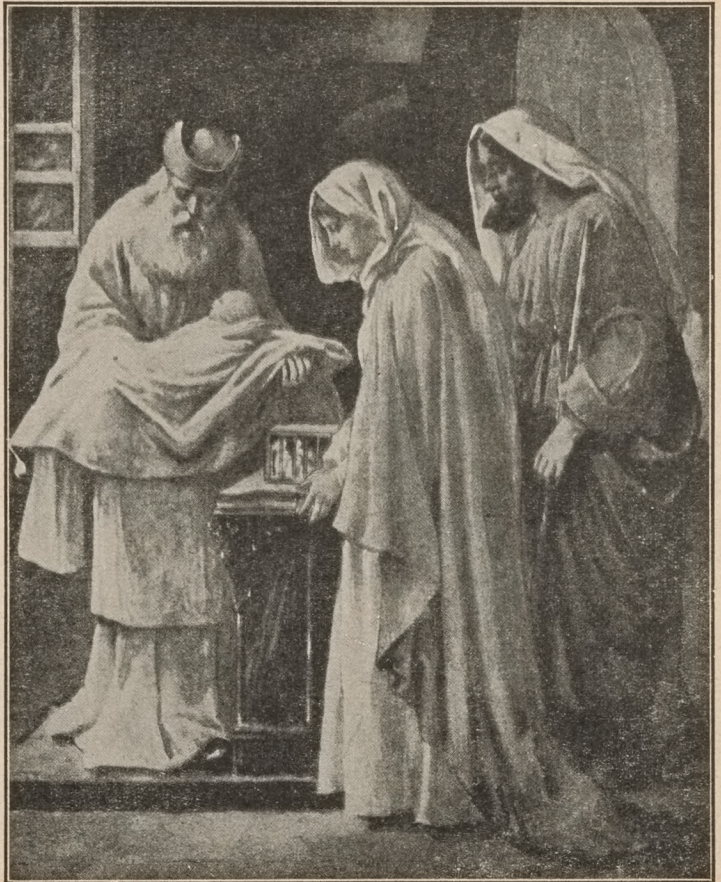
February was so named by the Romans for Februa, the supposed mother of Mars, but Plutarch tells us it was the month of the Fast and Feast of Atonement held in this last month of the Latin year, which began in March. It is the month of Purification. Between the scarlet and green belonging to Christmas, and the white and gold of Easter, February between is quiet and colourless, with only her little Snowdrop.

The Church has given but two of its holy days to this quiet month. On the 24th we remember St. Matthias, the Apostle and Martyr, and on February 2nd we thank God for the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, when her Son, God's Son, was presented in the Temple according to the Law of Moses. So the two came to the Temple on Mount Moriah, Joseph carrying the Child and Mary the two doves. We are quoting the many pictures of that Presentation.

The three passed on to Egypt. I have seen the Church where, according to tradition, the Holy Family lodged in the crypt. This may be. It was the usual Church of the Greek Orthodox, in Cairo. I was re-

membering a picture I had seen of the arrival of the Holy Family in Egypt. It showed night in the desert. The Egyptian pyramids rise mysteriously in the background. They are in the neighbourhood of Cairo, and the picture shows St. Joseph standing on guard over his girl wife and her Son. He does not understand. His watching is needless, for a thousand armed angels wait in the shadow, body-guard for God the Son.

The Holy Family later returned to the old home at Nazareth. We like to think of that home in Nazareth, home of the Incarnate God for those first thirty years of His earthly life. The false Gospels are filled with stories of His infancy and boyhood: the true only tell of His visit to the Temple when twelve. One story of His babyhood is rather pretty. Mary had left Him by an irrigation ditch where other babes were playing. And He, like they, began to make things of the mud around them. He tried to make them of mud, little awkward shaped sparrows and birds, but as the clay felt the life of God in those baby fingers the little birds lived. They took proper shape; they feathered; they hopped and flew. The others exclaimed, "Sorcery!"



But Mary soothed them. It was only nature, for He was God.

Other tales sometimes verge on blasphemy. Prettier is the tale of Him when after His Confirmation He is with a crowd of boys, His playmates, and persons pass carrying a boy on a litter. He had been bitten by a venomous snake and they were taking him home to die, for there was no cure for his hurt. But the boy Jesus bade them bring him to Him and at the touch of His hand the lad arose up and walked. He lived to become Simon the Canaanite, one of the Twelve.

So those hidden years passed. We know nothing of what miracles of healing might have been wrought by His power, but we can be sure that Mary was a very happy woman while He was all her own, and we can be sure, too, that the oxen who bore the yoke His hands had fashioned were never galled by weight or harness. Ox and ass worked easily under yokes of His making.

And so He lived until the day of His calling to work for all the world. He may have known Simon the Canaanite and probably knew Matthew too, for tradition makes him the oldest of the Twelve. Poor Matthew, he or his family had suffered much at the hands of the haughty Pharisees, so Matthew threw all Judaism from him, entering the service of the hated Roman government as a tax gatherer. He was an outcast from his people, but not from the gentle Son of Mary.

During those hidden years Joseph the carpenter doubtless died, his work finished. He was guardian to Mary and her Son while needed, then went on to his reward. He lives in legend an old man, especially helpful to pilgrims and to children, and others who have lost their way. Legend would send him now to Europe very busy among the swarms of refugees, guiding them to some safe shelter in this unsafe world or safer still to the waiting arms of Christ in Paradise. This may be, or, if we do not care for legend, we can think of him ever living with the Saints of God.

So Mary was left in Nazareth with her Son, to live very happily until His time came, when her loss was the world's great gain.

All around Nazareth rise the hills of Galilee—of God. And there the Boy Christ would go to pray and talk with His Father and His God, but never did His devotions lead Him to forget the least of His duties at the carpenter's shop and of the home where Mary His mother lived. Ox and ass walked and worked easily under the yokes His hands had fashioned. They knew, as did His mother, that He was God, but Nazareth was in blank darkness, though James may have suspected, and Matthew, unhappy at his seat of customs, had probably heard from Joseph the tale he tells in the first chapter of his Gospel. So he too knew that this Jesus was really the Son of God, the promised Messiah, but he writes of Him sorrowfully. His is the Gospel of rejection.

Comments Original and Otherwise

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ENGLISH VICAR AND CHURCH MESSENGER

From a reader of Church Messenger I have received a letter in which he writes, "My brother, Vicar of a church in Cornwall, commenting on the Church Messenger says, 'It is the best insert I have ever come across.'"

Similar views have been expressed again and again at meetings of our own General Synod. The paper is supplied at a nominal cost of 25 cents a year. It is always a puzzle to me why the clergy are not more anxious to have it supplied to their people.

THE PRIMATE AND FORWARD DAY BY DAY

In the endeavour to stress the importance of Bible reading during the week following Bible Sunday the following incident was told in the Forward Day by Day comment for December 11th.

At the last General Convention Archbishop Owen of Canada preached one Sunday in the crowded Cathedral. He took from his cassock pocket a dog-eared copy of *Forward*, turned to the reading for that day, and took his text from it. "*And he was a Samaritan.*" The good Archbishop will forgive us. We mean that *Forward* is not an output of the Canadian Church. The man least obligated of all there seemed to know *Forward* like a book. How many of our American Churchmen had read it that day, we wonder, save this "stranger"?

Whatever I have done in my life has simply been due to the fact that when I was a child my mother daily read me a part of the Bible.

—Ruskin.

Forward Day by Day is published quarterly, and costs only 20 cents a year. It would be an easy matter to get someone in any congregation to order copies for those who wish to have them. They can be got from Church House, 604 Jarvis Street, Toronto.

A PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH IN CHINA

The other day I came across this prayer which was pasted on the fly leaf of my Prayer Book. It was headed "A Prayer for Chinese Workers". I pass it on in the hope that the clergy may find it appropriate for use in public worship.

O Heavenly Father, Who hast bid us come to Thee at all times, and hast promised to hear and answer those who ask in the Name of Thy dear Son, we beseech Thee on behalf of all those who are working in Thy Name in war-torn China; do Thou be very near them in all dangers both of body and soul, may they realize more and more Thy very near presence to shield, strengthen, and support them; and for those to whom they minister grant healing and light.

We ask this for the sake of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

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A Great Opportunity in the Children's Lenten Offering



To be used each day.

Careful thought and preparation have been given to the Children's Lenten Offering for 1942 in an effort to make it something more vital in the minds of our children.

The New Poster and Prayer Card

The Pyramid Boxes are being sent to the Parishes as usual. With them will be an attractive card for each child, on which is a simple missionary prayer and a silhouette of children of different lands, printed in bright blue. In addition to this, a poster has been prepared, as shown in illustration, size 18" x 25", and is being sent to each Sunday School. We should like you to have a poster in each department of your Sunday School, so if you do not receive a sufficient number we shall be glad to meet your requirements upon request to the Publications Department, M.S.C.C., 604 Jarvis St., Toronto. In each Lenten issue of the G.B.R.E. Sunday School papers there will be a missionary story.

It All Depends On You

The Lenten Season provides a grand opportunity for an intensive study of the missionary work of the Church with your children and young people. This new material has been provided to help you make the missionary work of the Church live and to help you make real to our boys and girls those people who live in mission areas, and who have not heard the message of God's love for them. Never has the consciousness of this abiding love been needed by all more than at the present time.

No Knowledge, No Interest

We urge you to make effective use of this Lenten poster, drawing attention to it frequently, and using the pictures on it as the basis for stories or lantern slide talks.

The Prayer Card, we hope, will be hung

up in each child's bedroom and used every day. Talk to the children about the power of prayer; that prayer really does change things; and that our heavenly Father is ever ready to hear the earnest prayer of His children. Encourage them week by week in the use of this prayer for God's world-wide family.

The offering, itself, should be the glad expression of the child's interest and love—a sharing with others, through the Pyramid Boxes of what he has or earns.

This whole Lenten Season presents a tremendous opportunity and it *all depends on you*,—Rector, Sunday School Superintendent or Teacher,—as to what will be made of it.

The Church of the Future

While the money received through these Pyramid Boxes is important, the interest aroused in our boys and girls in the Church's effort to carry the Good News to the dark places of the earth, is infinitely more important. A missionary-minded Church is a large, warm-hearted, progressive Church, with a vision as wide as the world. That is the kind of Church we must build for the future, despite the odds against us.

YOUR LENTEN OFFERING



LEARN how the boys and girls live in the missionary districts of Canada and in lands across the sea—how they dress, where they live, what they like to eat and what they like to do.



PRAY for those boys and girls, that they may learn to know God as their Heavenly Father and the Lord Jesus as their Friend and Saviour.



SHARE your allowance, or the money you earn, with the boys and girls in Canada and in other lands, among whom our missionaries are working, that this work may be supported, and that new missionaries may be sent out to tell the story of God's love, and of Jesus the Saviour of the world.

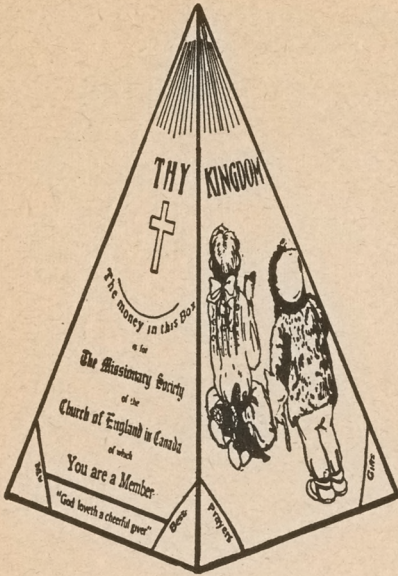


The Primate's Message

I hope you will look often at this Poster. The pictures and words will give you a message this Lent. I ask you to learn what it is saying to you,—for it is saying something to you—each picture, each sentence. It is saying **LEARN, PRAY, and SHARE**. Try to do these three things this Lent. If you do you will be a help to your Parish and Rector, your Diocese and Bishop, and to our Church in Canada. Above all, you will be doing something for our Lord Himself. When you pray remember the men and women of the King's Forces.

FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD

Make frequent reference to the poster.



Freely ye have received, freely give.

Please Note, Especially

In the past we have never known the total amount of the Children's Lenten Offering for the whole of Canada. We think it is of value to know. Please advise *your Synod Office* the amount received from the Children's Offering in your Parish. The Synod Office, in turn, will advise the Headquarters of the M.S.C.C. the total amount of Lenten Offering received from the Diocese, when they make their quarterly returns.

THIS IS IMPORTANT PLEASE DO YOUR PART



DR. TEMPLE AND THE RUSSIANS

"We watch with fascinated and deeply sympathetic admiration the heroic resistance of the Russian armies and people," said the Archbishop of York, in his presidential address to his Diocesan Conference.

"Their cause is ours, and our cause is theirs," Dr. Temple continued. "Let no one hesitate to assert our unity of purpose. Russia has not of late been an aggressive Power. Her attack on Finland, though we cannot justify it, was based on a strategy of defence.

"But though there should be no hesitation in affirming our solidarity with Russia, and though I for one look forward to close co-operation with Russia in the organization of peace, and the establishment of a co-operative commonwealth in Europe, yet this association inevitably brings problems which it would be foolish and wrong to ignore.

"The Russian revolution was inspired by an atheist philosophy. The form of Communism

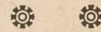
which it first established was incompatible with that value of individual persons on which Christianity insists. This, under the pressure of experience, has been much modified, and so far as I understand the economic system of Russia, as it was when the invasion began, I see little or nothing in it with which a Christian needs to quarrel.

"Of course, there are evils and abuses, but these will always be found so long as men are sinners, and we have plenty here. The system itself as it exists may be desirable or undesirable, but it does not seem open to condemnation as un-Christian.

"The atheism of official Russia remains. Nor is there any equality between religious and anti-religious movements. For while there is freedom of worship, there is no freedom of religious teaching; and there is both freedom and official patronage of anti-religious propaganda.

"The leaders of Russia are clear-sighted, sincere and very able men. They do not expect us to pretend that their principles are other than they are; nor will they respect us if we are false to our own. Let our co-operation in this mighty struggle rest on complete openness and mutual understanding; and let our hope and prayer be that we can give such witness to our faith, by our courage and confidence and freedom from all spirit of vengeance, that their association with us may help the great people of Russia to recover all that was beautiful and noble in their traditional Christian devotion."

—The Church Times.



Diocese of Athabasca

THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY MILES TO BE MARRIED

St. James Cathedral, Peace River.
Rev. F. E. Smith, Rector.

Last week a young couple arrived in Peace River to be married. They came from the northern settlement of Keg River, which is roughly a hundred and sixty miles north of here, and sixty miles from the nearest highway, and a hundred and forty miles from the nearest railroad. They travelled the first part of the trail with horses; this meant two days hard travelling, and sleeping out in sub-zero weather, for there are no houses on that trail. At Notikewin the horses were exchanged for a swifter method of transportation, but in order to secure a ride on a truck the bridegroom had to help shovel a load of grain. At Grimshaw, they had to stay another night, but the next day, they were lucky enough to secure a ride on a beer truck, and so they arrived at the Cathedral, where the wedding was solemnized by the rector, who incidentally refused the wedding fee, for he has a fellow feeling for anyone who sleeps out on that trail, and he too has slept out there when it was thirty and forty below zero.

Recent Happenings

Mayor La Guardia of New York as chief of the Office of Defense sent out a "sermon outline" for use on Peace Sunday. Presiding Bishop Tucker and Bishop Manning expressed approval of the Mayor's action, but some of the lesser lights referred to the Mayor's effort as "insulting" and said he was "acting like Hitler".

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A Washington newspaper printed on the first page in 6-inch block type, the announcement "Hitler declares War on the U.S." Below in quite small type, "Me too, echoes Mussolini".

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For some time it has been rumoured that the Archbishop of Canterbury will resign shortly, and hope has been expressed that his successor may be some one still in the vigour of youth, who will give the Church aggressive leadership.

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In the death of Dr. Bedford Jones the General Board of Religious Education, and particularly the Editorial and Supplies Department, lost one of its oldest and most faithful members.

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German soldiers in occupied countries are far from having a happy time. One of them in Norway complained that Norwegians looked down on them, as they would on Niggers. "We don't look down on Niggers," was the reply.

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A German paper has announced that "All paintings of Hitler in Germany that are neither artistic nor beautiful will be dropped". A writer in the London Spectator refers to this as "A Clean Sweep".

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A London editor criticized Prime Minister Churchill for expressing the hope that Britons would have a better Christmas dinner this year. Referring to this criticism in the House of Commons Mr. Churchill commended the "wise" Chinese custom whereby critics of the Government were obliged to commit suicide, and then he added with a grin, "I should be the last to suggest it should be made retroactive."

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A familiar face in Washington religious and political circles, the Rev. Z. Barney Phillips, has become the Dean of the National Cathedral, succeeding the Rt. Rev. Noble C. Powell, recently consecrated Bishop-coadjutor of Maryland.

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A pamphlet officially published shows that more than half a million men have volunteered for the defence forces, and that this fiscal year expenditure will be \$2,350,000,000 on the war.

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In the year 1917 Sir Clifford Sifton wrote as follows with regard to Canada's war effort: "The decision of this issue will determine once for all whether Canada is a nation, dominated and held together by a national will and national sense of honour, or is a helpless aggregation of section communities, held together only

by the time-serving considerations of sectional interest."

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St. James Anglican Church, Port Colborne, has received a cheque for \$1,000 from one of its members in grateful acknowledgment of "belief in the power of prayer".

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Archbishop Germanos conducted a solemn Requiem in the Orthodox cathedral of St. Sophia, London, for the Greek soldiers and civilians who gave their lives for Greece. The fine large building was crowded, the Lord Mayor, Members of Parliament, British and Allied Generals, soldiers and sailors, with men and women of all ranks being noticed in the congregation.

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A happy instance of racial and interfaith fellowship occurred at the Waldorf Astoria, New York, when 85 prominent leaders in civic, business and religious life greeted Bishop Thomas E. Malloy, who was celebrating the 20th anniversary of his consecration as head of the Roman Catholic diocese. Dr. J. Stanley Durkee of Henry Ward Beecher's great Congregational Church, Brooklyn, sat on one side of the honoured guest and Rabbi Israel H. Leventhal on the other hand. Hon. Al Smith a former Governor, and Hon. Wendell L. Willkie were together.

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In Chicago 350 people heard addresses by Father Donovan, Rabbi Lazaron and Dr. Clinchy, a Scotch Presbyterian, on their impressions of Great Britain while visiting there recently. They remarked that the companionship of a priest, rabbi and presbyter was quite a surprise to the people. One thing lives in their experience while abroad, namely "the new unity of class, creed and cult which is emerging," among the people in Britain.

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The statement was made recently in the English House of Commons, during a debate on Religious Education in the schools, that figures showed that about 80 per cent of the London school children now in reception areas, went to Church or Sunday School, but where the children were evacuated with a parent or parents they rarely attended either.

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The Methodist, the Presbyterian and the Congregational Church in New Zealand have arrived at a "basis of union" which is to be submitted to official bodies of the churches concerned.

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The Tablet, a prominent Roman Catholic weekly in London has rebuked Cardinal MacRory who in an address to the Irish hierarchy said, "Victory on either side in the war will mean little to the poor plain people of the world."

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The Bishop of Gambia returning to his diocese from England was in a boat that was torpedoed off the coast of Ireland. He was rescued and eventually made the journey as "pantry boy" on a Norwegian freight boat.

One Hundred Years Ago

Sir Chas. Bagot, the new Governor-General of British North America, was addressed by the clergymen of the Diocese of Toronto on 4th February, 1842 in a letter signed by the Bishop. He arrived in Kingston on 10th January, 1842.

Religious Education progressed in the Province of Canada during 1841-2, plans for Bishop's College being perfected, the Cobourg institution (later merged with Trinity College) being opened, Victoria College (Methodist) Cobourg being given university powers (27th August, 1841), Queen's College (Presbyterian), Kingston, being opened 7th March, 1842, and the cornerstone of King's College (Church of England), Toronto, being laid 23rd April, 1842.

Bishop's College, Lennoxville: After weeks of serious illness, Bishop Mountain resumed his work and, 16th February, 1842, dictated a letter of great length to the S.P.G. appealing for aid to enable him to open the projected college. I am now able to state that the local Committee have raised £3,000, have determined upon a beautiful site of 50 acres with a donation of 100 near adjoining, and are entering into contracts for an edifice to accommodate 40 resident students and 2 professors. The building is to be of brick and I am desirous of erecting it in the early English style of architecture (I have received a sketch in this style from the Rev. H. Burges of Nicolet). The feeling in the townships is most favourable. Many have sons who will be scattered in other quarters if the need is not met. Some of our people are sending their sons to Queen's College, Kingston.

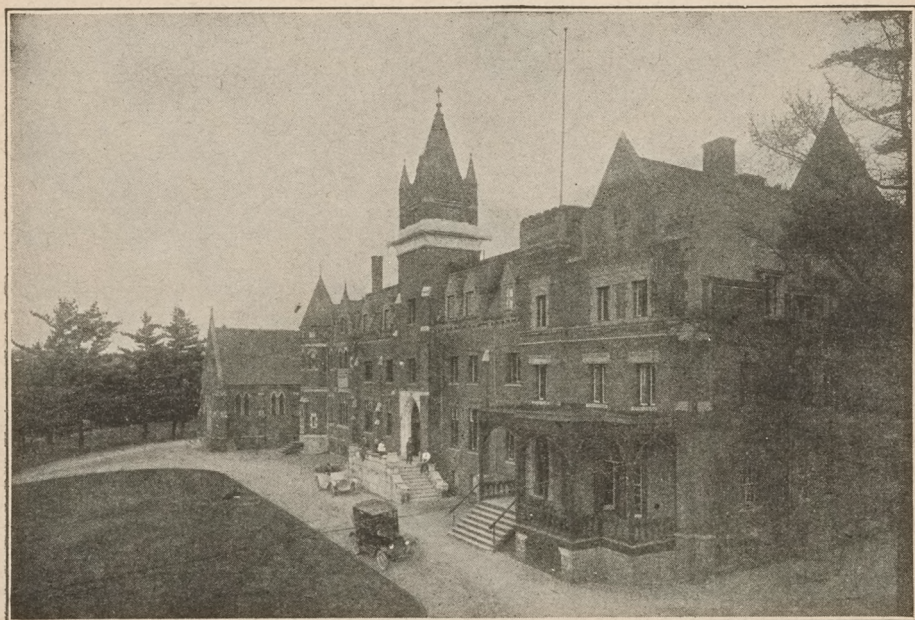
Estimated Cost: The amount upon which I counted is: £1,000 from each of the Societies (i.e., S.P.G. and S.P.C.K.) to erect the College, and £500 a year afterwards from both the Societies. Some local endowments will be made at once; others are in prospect. To complete the buildings £5,000 is needed, if one of my favourite objects (having a regular college chapel attached) is comprehended. To this point I annex much importance. It will be the means of dispensing through the community a happy religious influence. Theological students should read the lessons . . . A good finish and Anglified appearance should characterize the approaches and accessories of the building.

Opening: It is a grand object of the local Committee to open the college at once in a hired building, during the progress of the permanent edifice.

Shareholders will obtain low rates for tuition for a pupil but these shares do not assign any property in the institution. This system is not to be repeated. I acquiesce in this arrangement . . . not quite in accordance with English ideas.

Joint-Treasurers: Col. Morris, the local Treasurer, a gentleman of high character and Mr. Doolittle.

Aid from England: I hope that the expectation of aid from the Provincial Legislature (the prospect of which must be doubtful) will not operate unfavourably upon the amount of the grant to be received from home. The College (being formed in the Protestant part of Canada)



Bishop's College as it is now.

should be upon a respectable footing, the building should have a collegiate character, even something of an imposing air. Resources on the spot will hardly enable us to do anything upon any other than a humble scale . . . With a thankful sense of past favours . . . and hope that I shall not be thought to encroach too far upon that pious bounty from which they have flowed, and giving all praise to God, I remain . . . G. J. Montreal. (S.P.G. Letters, 1842.)

I am told that the Scotch people of Canada raised £20,000 for their College at Kingston by sending home an agent. G.J.M.

Bishop's College School: The Sherbrooke Committee engaged a Cambridge graduate to take charge of the School (which is to be a graft upon the institution) at £150 a year with residence. He is to assume his charge 1st May, 1842. An eligible building must be hired at once, and measures put in train for erection of a school-house with a Master's residence. It would afford encouragement if the Society could give an annual sum towards its support, in the interim. (S.P.G. Letters.)

Three Rivers: Three theological students are reading under the Rev. Mr. Wood, and a fourth is expected.

Cobourg Theological Institution: Seven students were in residence during the first term (10th January to Easter, 1842) and took lectures from the Professor of Theology (the Rev. A. N. Bethune). The curriculum and the routine of duties is set forth in the "Memoir of Bishop Strachan".

Stanbridge: The Rev. Jas. Jones (ordained by the Bishop of Toronto) took possession of the charge of Stanbridge 22nd January, 1842, and was cordially received. He is likely to be the means of recovering lost ground . . . This mission was in an unhappy condition. Bishop to S.P.G., 16th February, 1842.

Strange Career of the Rev. J. L. Milton was outlined in "The Church", 5th February, 1841. At one time he was at Rawdon, was ordained in Paris, espoused several schemes and was finally baptized in the Baptist Chapel of Southampton, England—the Rev. neophyte preached at the same chapel in the evening.

1842 Appointments by the S.P.G.:—To Brock the Rev. Alex. Sanson; to Momo the Rev. W. Stewart Darling; to Shanty Bay the Rev. S. B. Ardagh; to Riviere du Loup the Rev. E. W. G. Ross; to Clarendon the Rev. D. Falloon; to St. John on Richelieu the Rev. W. D. Dawes. (S.P.G. Report, 1842.)

Clarke and Darlington: Bishop Strachan to the Hon. S. B. Harrison, recommending that Letters Missive be prepared for the Rev. T. S. Kennedy appointing him to the above Rectory. 7th February, 1842.

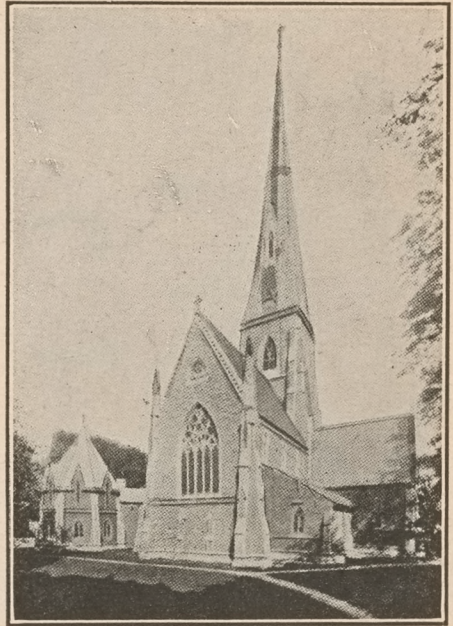
Toronto Churches: It is in contemplation to build two churches, one in the west and one in the east end of the city. A suggestion was made that, St. James' being only a parish church, a cathedral be erected. The committee for building St. George's decided to act.

A new church at the Toll-Gate was ready for opening on 12th March. ("The Church".)

BOOK NOTICE

"A History of Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal," by Frank Dawson Adams, LL.D., F.R.S. Montreal Burton's Limited, 1941. 226 pages . . . \$1.50

A short time ago the Vestry of the Montreal Cathedral announced that Dr. Frank Adams, formerly professor in the department of geological sciences of McGill was producing an



Christ Church Cathedral looking towards the East Window.

historical volume on the Cathedral. Last November the above volume appeared and in its 226 pages traces the history of the congregation which has worshipped in Christ Church and its predecessors since 1760. Such a volume as this is long overdue, there being no published history of the Mother Church of Montreal readily accessible. The writer of such a history enjoys the advantage of having a set of the minutes of the Vestry to consult for all but twenty of the 150 years since the Vestry Minute Book was begun and also of having a complete series of registers of acts of civil status from almost the very beginning. Of the long list of rectors, or vicars, of Christ Church, four names stand out: John Bethune, Maurice Baldwin, Herbert Symonds and Arthur Carlisle, who served the parish for 54, 12, 18 and 18 years respectively. No serious problem vexed the congregation until the influence of the Oxford leaders was felt in Montreal church circles and the congregation was evenly divided between supporters and opponents of Anglo-Catholicism. At the opening of the century, an intellectually-minded priest, the Rev. F. J. Steen, became

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Vicar of Christ Church and in his sermons courageously faced Biblical problems and by the light of modern scholarships, attempted to point out their solution. His preaching earned for him the disapprobation of the Bishop but when the congregation actively supported Mr. Steen, the Bishop withdrew his inhibition and the way was opened for the next vicar, who was the Rev. Herbert Symonds, to expound critical views of the Scriptures and Theology without hindrance. In this way Christ Church was able to serve the needs of the student population of the city at a time when Biblical difficulties were upsetting the faith of the young.

The successor of Dr. Symonds is termed the Dean of Good Will. The Rev. Arthur Carlisle, in his own unique way, thus happily described, has continued the parish's record of service.

There have been six buildings which the congregation has occupied in the course of 180 years. The church on Notre Dame Street, burned in 1856, was an interesting example of Georgian architecture and excellent pictures of its exterior and interior are preserved in Dr. Adams' volume, as well as pictures of many of the objects of interest. Two relics of this church, consecrated in 1830, are to be found in the present Cathedral, the altar painting, da Vinci's Last Supper, which is hanging over the west door, and a piece of communion plate dating back to 1789 and made by a Montreal silver-smith.

Biographies of men, both clerical and lay, connected with the Cathedral in the past will be found in the volume together with useful lists and index. The book is full of interesting and important material relating to one of the oldest parishes of our Church, and treated in a large way. The congregation of the Cathedral are fortunate in having their history gathered together and published in a permanent form.

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The Parish Meeting was held January 15th with a good attendance, the Vicar presiding. He thanked everyone for their co-operation during the past year and hoped that the coming year would be as successful.

Officers elected for the coming year: Vicar's Warden, Mr. D. Harper; People's Warden, Mr. G. A. Clark; Vestry, Mr. J. A. Ross, Mr. C. Baines, Mr. H. Cuff, Mr. Glazier, Mrs. M. Brown.

A very delightful tea was held at the home of Mrs. C. Gittens, January 22nd, under the auspices of the choir, to raise money to buy hymn books for the church. The social club presented music books to the choir. The A.Y.P.A. have also purchased hymn books.

A Valentine Tea is to be held at the home of Mrs. J. A. Ross, 11153 64th St., February 11th, so please keep that date open.

ST. MARK'S

REV. A. ELLIOTT

The annual meeting of St. Mark's congregation was held in the Parish Hall on Monday, January 19th. Reports of the year's work were read by a representative of each organization. Mrs. Fleming as W.A. Secretary and Mrs. Bromley, Treasurer, reported a very successful year, finishing off an old debt. Miss R. Davey gave the report for the Girl Guides and the Brownies in the absence of their leader. Joan Cowley reported that the A.Y.P.A. is a thriving new organization with fourteen enthusiastic members. A very pleasing report on the Sunday School was given by Vera Veros, and L. Simons reported on the Young Women's Group and the Choir. B. Hayden gave her report as Envelope Secretary. The Secretary-Treasurer gave the financial statement which was very encouraging and received many favorable comments. L. H. Bladon gave his report as People's Warden and thanked the congregation for their support. New members of the Vestry are: Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Wicherley, R. Clark, Mrs. Williams, L. Simons. People's Warden, L. H. Bladon; Vicar's Warden, Mr. Hayden; Secretary-Treasurer, J. Lawrence; Auditor, A. H. Lawrence. Rev. Elliott spoke briefly thanking all officers and members of the congregation for their work and support, and said how pleased he was with last year's work. The meeting closed with prayer. Lunch was served by W.A.

The Choir held their weekly practice at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Elliott on Thursday, January 22nd. There was a full attendance and after a fine practice, games and contests were played. Lunch was served by the hostess.

The W.A. held the annual meeting in the Parish Hall on Thursday, 15th January. After all reports were read, election of officers took place. Honorary President, Mrs. Elliott; President, Mrs. John; Vice-President, Mrs. Brown; Secretary, Mrs. Fleming; Treasurer, Mrs. Bromley; U.T.O., Mrs. Williams; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. Anderson; Chancel, Mrs. Corlett; Sick Committee, Mrs.

Marks and Mrs. John. The W.A. did a very fine work last year. They donated \$4.00 to Red Cross for blankets and plan to have a Valentine Tea in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, February 14th.

A.Y.P.A.

Members of St. Mark's A.Y.P.A. participated in a very enjoyable sleigh ride on Saturday, January 10th. Members of St. Mary's, St. Faith's and Holy Trinity were their guests, making up a party of about fifty members. Dancing and games filled in the entertainment for the rest of the evening, and lunch was served.

At the regular weekly meeting Tuesday, January 6th, Miss Francis John was installed in the office of Secretary-Treasurer by the Vicar.

Part of each meeting is spent in practicing a play for the Dramatic Festival.

The Young Women's Group met at the homes of L. Simons and R. Clark this month. White curtains for the Altar were discussed. Plans were made for bazaar and tea in the spring. We were pleased to have a visit from Mrs. Tackaberry and Miss Ayling and hope to become Business Girls' W.A. in the future.

The Choir held the annual meeting after practice on January 15th. The following officers were elected: Honorary President, Rev. Elliott; President, L. H. Bladen; Vice-President, J. Lawrence; Secretary-Treasurer, L. Simons; Librarian, C. Kay; and Press Reporter, D. Heatherington. As the Choir is in better financial condition this year plans were discussed for new Anthem books.

The parish was very grieved at the passing of Mr. G. W. Jones. He was one of the early pioneers of St. Mark's Church and in late years had conducted many services.

We are very pleased to have Petty Officer and Mrs. G. Roup back in the parish for a visit. Petty Officer Roup returned to Sydney but Mrs. Roup will have an extended visit at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. White.

ST. STEPHEN'S

REV. J. C. MATTHEWS

SUNDAY SERVICES—Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Sung Eucharist, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7.30 p.m.

St. MATTHEW'S MISSION—First and Third Sundays, 7.30 p.m. Second and Fourth, 9.15 a.m.

St. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS—First and Third Sundays, at 9.15 a.m. Sunday School each Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

The Annual Meeting at St. Stephen's was held on Tuesday, January 20th. There was a good attendance including representatives from the Mission. The Churchwarden's statement of accounts was passed and the budget for 1942 accepted.

Mr. Swaffield introduced a scheme for paying off the debt on church taxes, which was heartily endorsed.

Mr. James Green presented his plan for raising money for the same purpose which was also given a good start.

The Rector appointed Mr. T. J. Jones as his Warden and Mr. James Watson was unanimously elected People's Warden.

The following were elected Lay Delegates to Synod: Messrs. H. L. Weir, James Watson, W. J. Greene. Lay Delegate Substitutes: Messrs. J. A. Swaffield, J. Cooper, H. Allen.

The following were elected on the Vestry: Messrs. Allen, Crossley, Dodd, Cooper, Greene, Horton, Petherbridge, Patterson, Taylor, Swaffield, Weir, Whiting. Auditor: Mr. Harry Allen.

At the Annual Meeting of the Willing Workers Mrs. Matthews was chosen Honorary President, and Mrs. Pridmore was again unanimously elected President for the fourth term. Mrs. Forbes, Vice-President; Mrs. Dixon, Secretary for the sixth year; Mrs. J. Watson, Treasurer again for her fifth year of office; Mrs. J. Findlay and Mrs. Walsh, Sewing; Mrs. T. J. Jones, Magazine; Mrs. W. H. Petherbridge, Visiting Convener; Mrs. B. Sharpe, Tea Convener.

The Willing Workers have had a most successful year in every way.

St. Matthew's W.A.

The Annual Meeting was held on December 18th. The Reports of the year's work were very satisfactory.

Mrs. Crumb was re-elected President; Vice-President, Mrs. Cliff; Honorary President, Mrs. Whiting and Mrs. Taylor; Secretary, Mrs. Thompson; Treasurer, Mrs. Cliff; E.C.D., Mrs. Delaney; Little Helpers, Mrs. Dykes; Dorcas, Mrs. Sanders.

The Sunday School members, under the direction of Sister Amelia, gave a presentation of the Bethlehem Tableaux on January 4th.

At the Annual Parishioners Meeting on January 15th, Mr. Whiting was elected as Treasurer for the Mission, and acting Churchwarden.

For the Social Committee the following were chosen: Mr. Whiting, Mr. Thompson, Mrs. Cliff, Mrs. Delaney and Mrs. Virtue.

ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

The Annual Meeting of the Ladies' Circle was held at Mrs. Robertson's home on January 21st.

Mrs. Phillips was unanimously re-elected President; Vice-President, Mrs. Carter; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Currey; Social Conveners, Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Graham; Font Roll, Mrs. Pengelly.

A splendid report was read and the Rector congratulated the Ladies' Circle on the work they had accomplished.

Baptized recently at St. Michael's—Thelma Lydia Green, Darrel Howard Phillips, Clifford George Adams.

10th Edmonton (St. Stephen's) Company Canadian Girl Guides

Dinner Party held at St. Stephen's Parish Hall on Wednesday, January 14th, 1942, for members of our Guide Company. This was in the nature of a co-operative effort and the preparation and cooking of the dinner was performed by the various patrols under their respective Patrol Leaders.

The "Swallow Patrol" (Nancy Koyich, P.L.) met at the home of Mrs. Haydon and arranged for the making of the pies and desserts.

The "Scarlet Tanager Patrol" (Joyce Baker, P.L.) took charge of the-vegetables and the "Blue-bird Patrol" (Patricia Higginson, P.L.) arranged the meats, etc.

Forty Guides sat down to a sumptuous dinner which was followed by a concert and games.

CHURCH PARADE—Usual monthly Church Parade of the Guide Company was held on Sunday, Janu-

ary 18th, a good representation: Cubs, Brownies, Guides and Rangers, very pleased to have Mrs. Swallow, District Commissioner, with us on this occasion.

Rural Deanery of Metaskiwin

ST. PAUL'S, LEDUC

REV. F. BAKER

After many months of absence we at last join the columns of the "Church Messenger."

Early in November it was our great privilege to welcome Rev. F. Baker to our parish.

On December 21st His Lordship the Bishop celebrated Holy Communion at 9 a.m. followed by a short address. We hope the Bishop will soon be able to visit us again. The church was beautifully decorated and nearly all communicants were present.

The W.A. have carried on wonderfully well in spite of great difficulties and were able after a successful bazaar to present the Vestry with a considerable sum of money. The annual meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Loggin.

The Sunday School treat was held at the home of Mrs. Moss. We are grateful to her for her kindness. The children had a grand time and wish to thank all who made the party a success.

Nursing Sister Mary Loggin returned home on sick leave a few days ago. We wish her a speedy recovery.

The Ven. S. F. Tackaberry celebrated Holy Communion here on February 1st at 9 a.m. We hope he will be able to be with us again in the near future.

MILLET

The Annual Congregational Meeting was held in the Community Hall with a good attendance. Mr. Mitchell was in the chair. Reports were read by the different officers and were most satisfactory. All obligations were met in full with a small balance in hand. Mr. Mitchell moved a vote of thanks to the W.A. for helping to clear up outstanding debts. Votes of thanks were also extended to Mr. Clarke and Mr. Chapman in carrying on alternate Sundays as they did and saving the Church being closed. Lately we have been having the Rev. W. Elkin on the fourth Sunday.

A social evening followed the meeting and the young people served a dainty lunch at the close.

ST. JOHN'S, SEDGEWICK

REV C. E. F. WOLFF

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on Thursday, January 22nd, in the Vicarage. Reports of the various activities during the past year were given and showed that a year's successful work had been accomplished. The outstanding event of the past year was the renovation and redecoration of the church building by the W.A.

The Churchwardens' financial statement showed that all commitments for the year 1941 had been met with a very small credit balance at the end of

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the year. As our financial commitments during the past few years have shown a gradual increase and our church population a rapid decrease the parish has every reason to be proud of its record. The vicar had to report, with great regret, that our numbers are now less than they have been during the past thirty years.

The following were elected to hold office during the year 1942: Vicar's Warden, Mr. E. Leah; People's Warden, Mr. H. Gascoyne; Vestry: The Wardens, Mesdames W. J. Haynes, C. R. Smith, O. Adamson, Miss E. Ward, and Messrs. G. W. Tanton, W. J. Haynes, F. King, J. F. Adamson, H. A. Blackman, C. R. Smith and F. P. Beirsto. Lay Delegate to Synod: Mr. H. Gascoyne; Auditors: Messrs. C. R. Smith and J. F. Adamson.

At the Annual Meeting of the W.A. held last month the following were elected to hold office for 1942: Honorary Presidents, Mrs. Hooper and Mrs. Wolff; President, Mrs. J. F. Adamson; Vice-President, Mrs. G. W. Tanton; Secretary, Mrs. F. P. Beirsto; Treasurer, Mrs. C. R. Smith; Little Helpers' Secretary, Mrs. C. E. F. Wolff.

The following schedule of regular services will be in force during 1942:

1st Sunday in the Month: 11.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays: 7.30 p.m. Evensong.

5th Sunday: 11.15 a.m., Morning Prayer.

The Sunday School will meet every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Until Lent the mid-week service for Bible Study will be held on Thursday evenings immediately after Choir practice.

KILLAM

REV. C. E. F. WOLFF

The Annual Meeting of the congregation of St. George's Parish was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Neely on Monday evening, January 19th. In his report Rev. C. E. F. Wolff said that he felt quite at home with the people of the parish and was happy to be our Vicar. He said that the general state of the parish, considering all circumstances, was good and healthy. He paid tribute to the good work of the W.A., the Sunday School, and to the Vestry for the financial standing of the Church.

The following officers were appointed: Vicar's Warden, Mr. J. A. Neely; People's Warden, Mr. Hayward Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Wm. Halsall; Vestry, Messrs. E. Smith, F. Abernethy, J. Child, G. Stewart, T. MacEwan, and President and Secretary of the W.A., Mrs. Neely and Mrs. E. Smith; Auditor, Mr. A. Walters. Mr. Neely was appointed Delegate to the Synod.

Services for the month of February will be as follows:

February 1st—Evensong at 7.30 p.m.

February 8th—Holy Communion at 11.15 a.m.

February 15th—Evensong at 3.00 p.m.

February 22nd—Morning Service at 11.15 a.m.

The W.A. met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neely on January 7th and there was a good attendance.

Miss Freda Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hayward Smith, has joined the W.A.A.Cs. and left

for Toronto last Wednesday. Our good wishes go with her.

ALL SAINTS', LOUGHEED

REV. C. E. F. WOLFF

Services have been held regularly throughout the past few months. The attendances during the past month have not been good owing to the weather and poor state of the country roads. For this reason the annual parish meeting has been postponed until later in the year, when it is hoped that we may be able to have a fully representative gathering. Until the annual meeting those who have held office for the past year will continue to hold their respective offices.

The financial statement for the past year is very good indeed. It shows that all commitments for the past year have been paid in full. It is hoped that we shall maintain this good record this year.

During the next few months the services will be as follows:

1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month: Evensong at 3 p.m.

3rd Sunday in the month: Holy Communion at 11.15 a.m.

CAMROSE

REV. A. WALLIS

W.A.: We held our annual meeting in the Howcroft Memorial Hall, on the 6th January, and reports showed a very successful year. Our Rector thanked all officers who had acted in any capacity during the past year, and urged an "all-out" effort for the Church of the future.

Election of officers as follows:

President, Mrs. McDonald; Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. Wallis; Secretary, Mrs. Bradley; Treasurer, Mrs. E. V. Kerr; Dorcas Sec., Mrs. P. A. East; Little Helpers' Sec., Mrs. E. Nelson; Living Message Sec., Miss J. Roper; Prayer Partner Sec., Mrs. Fuller. Miss Roper was re-elected president of the Altar Guild.

We are grateful to those who led through 1941. The task was not an easy one, and 1942 looms ahead with similar difficulties plus a few more. There is nothing for it but to trust more fully in our God, and why would we not! The W.A. is a Spiritual organization; it would be futile to work and strive and plan if we did not believe that. The war and the Red Cross will make demands on time and money, and the Church asks for our prayers. Earnest prayer will find a way through the mist of difficulty, because God has promised to hear and to give us "more than we can either ask or think." What we decide to do is an individual responsibility.

We would like to offer Mrs. Chamberlain our kindly thoughts, and hope that she will soon recover. We shall miss her warm smile.

To Mrs. Tackaberry we say: "God-speed!"

May we also say that we greatly appreciate "The Bishop's Chapel" every Sunday afternoon.

Burials: "Safe in the Arms of Jesus."—

January 2nd, Agnes Norman; Darrel James Smith (baby).

January 22nd, Beatrice May Auburn.

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ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

REV. A. WALLIS

The Parish annual meeting was held after service January 18th. The Rector presided, and thanked all who had helped in any way with the church's work. The reports showed that all obligations had been met, even though it had meant a little extra effort to accomplish this.

C. T. C. Roper was again chosen Rector's Warden, A. C. Birchall was elected People's Warden, and J. B. Hayfield was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer. The members of the rectory were all re-elected with one exception, Arthur Baker being elected to take the place of A. C. Birchall.

The W.A. met for Corporate Communion on January 11th.

Rural Deanery of Wainwright

HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

The Senior W.A. held their meeting in the church hall on January 8th, with six members present. Interesting reports given by the Treasurer, Social Service Secretary, Little Helpers' and Junior Superintendent. All branches of the W.A. had met their obligations and had balances on hand. In addition to meeting their regular requirements, the W.A. paid the Apportionment and gas bills, and assisted wherever possible. Our new Treasurer is Mrs. Sinclair; the other officers are the same as formerly.

Junior W.A. meetings were held on January 9th, 17th and 24th—the annual meeting being on January 17th. There was an increase in the year's financial statement. Besides meeting their usual obligations such as pledges, Dorcas work, Social Welfare work, etc., they bought the lumber for the shelves and cupboards for the Mission House.

The Sunday School scholars have new hymn books, paid fifteen dollars towards the loan on the Church Hall (to complete the payment), bought paint and G.B.R.E. supplies; also candles for the altar, and, with the Juniors, are planning to put blinds and curtains in the hall and do some repair work in the church.

Services have been held regularly. Archdeacon Tackaberry kindly came for Holy Communion, on January 11th; Evensong being taken by Mr. J. W. Robinson on the remaining four Sundays. From now on we expect to have Rev. S. G. West once a month, starting Sunday, February 1st. He will live in the Mission House and do parochial work for two or three days while here.

We were sorry to hear of Mrs. Lancaster being confined to the house through a fall and hope to see her out again soon. Donald and Dennis Edwards returned from Trail for a short visit and were in their usual places at church last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. McCarthy of Tofield announce the marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth McCarthy, R.N., to Sgt. Pilot Alfred Herbert Russell, of Edmonton. The wedding took place on November 29th at Christ Church, Edmonton. Rev. A. Wallis of Camrose officiated. On Dec. 2nd a reception was held at the home of her parents

at Tofield in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Russell. They left for Charlottetown, where they will make their home temporarily.

ST. MATTHEW'S, VIKING

After some uncertainty, the congregation were privileged to have the Rev. L. M. Watts, from Wainwright, as celebrant at Communion Service Christmas Eve. About 40 people were present, including some 37 communicants. Due to war service many familiar faces were absent, but we noted George Desmond and Stephen Bird among those from the country who obtained Christmas leave.

Archdeacon Tackaberry officiated at Evensong on Sunday, the 11th instant, and was able to be here in the afternoon to visit the sick in the village and hospital, and to baptize the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rayment of Rodino. Of the sick, we are glad to note that Miss Shirley Rollans is recovering rapidly from an appendix operation; the Rayment baby is progressing favorably, and Mr. Meredith is resting easily in the hospital.

The W.A. held the annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Milne. Officers for 1942 are: President, Mrs. Walter Lawes; Vice-Pres., Mrs. D. Scott; Secretary, Mrs. G. Bird; Treasurer, Mrs. Cary, Dorcas Sec., Mrs. Walters.

Starting the first Sunday in February we are glad to welcome the Rev. S. West as priest-in-charge of Viking and Tofield. Services will be held at least once a month, alternating morning and evening Sunday services with Tofield. This is the best arrangement that can be made owing to shortage of clergy, and it is hoped that all will take advantage of these services. Sometimes it is only when the "well runs dry that we appreciate the water."

ST. THOMAS', WAINWRIGHT

REV. L. M. WATTS

The annual congregational meeting was held in the new Parish Hall on Friday, January 9th, under the chairmanship of the Rector. There was a fair attendance. The Rector in his report spoke of a number of improvements to the church property that had been made during the year. He also reported that a copy of "Fight the Good Fight" had been sent to each of the men who had enlisted from the parish. The building of the parish hall was the outstanding event of the year. Other reports presented were as follows: Church Property, Mr. H. S. C. Smart; Financial Statement, Mr. C. G. Forryan; Altar Guild, Mrs. Seabrook; Sunday School, Mr. R. J. Wilkins; W.A., Mrs. McLeod; Girls' Auxliary, Mrs. Watts; Junior W.A. presented by Miss Doris Forster and read by Mrs. Adams; Little Helpers, Mrs. Seabrook; Visiting Committee, Mrs. Taylor.

The reports spoke of much useful activity for Christ and His Church.

Mr. H. S. C. Smart was re-appointed Rector's Warden, and Mr. C. G. Forryan was re-elected People's Warden. Other members of the Vestry elected were: W. Milner, R. J. Wilkins, C. Coleman, A. Adams, T. Lissimore, G. Graham, and A. R. Buckton. Messrs. A. Adams and W. Milner were

elected delegates to Synod, with Messrs. C. Coleman and R. J. Wilkins as substitutes. Mr. C. Horn was elected Auditor. Refreshments were served by the members of the W.A.

At a brief service in the church on the Festival of the Epiphany the officers of the W.A. were installed by the Rector.

On Tuesday, January 20th, the Girls' Auxiliary had their election of officers which resulted as follows: President, Doreen Adams; Vice-Pres., Joyce Lally; Sec., Hazel McNern; Treas., Margaret Coleman; Dorcas Sec., Elsie Wear.

Three services were held in Wainwright in connection with the Universal Week of Prayer, and we were fortunate to have as our guest speaker the Rev. Canon A. M. Trendell.

A congregational social evening was held in the parish hall on Wednesday, January 14th, with the Rector as chairman. Games and community singing were followed by refreshments.

ST. MARY'S, IRMA

REV. L. M. WATTS

The annual meeting of the congregation was held in Hedley's hall, on Tuesday, January 20th, with a very good attendance. A social time of games and singing preceded the business meeting. Reports of the year's work were most encouraging. The missionary apportionment and the stipend for the year had been paid in full. A vote of thanks was extended to the members of the W.A. for their unflinching support.

Mr. Pryce Jones was re-appointed Rector's Warden, and Mr. F. Thurston was re-elected People's Warden. The other members of the Vestry are: R. H. Stone, E. Thurston, A. Peterson and H. E. Parke. Mr. F. Thurston was elected delegate to Synod, with Mr. A. Peterson as substitute. The ladies served delightful refreshments after the meeting.

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held on Friday, January 23rd, at the home of Mrs. Pryce Jones. Reports were presented indicating a very successful year with all obligations met in full. The election of officers was presided over by the Rector and resulted as follows: President, Mrs. F. Thurston; Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. Peterson; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. T. Sanders; Thank-Offering Sec., Mrs. P. Jones; Dorcas Sec., Mrs. E. Sanders; Social Service, Mrs. H. Parke. Mrs. A. Peterson was elected delegate to the Diocesan annual meeting.

ST. MARGARET'S, BATTLE HEIGHTS

REV. L. M. WATTS

The annual congregational meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Adams, on Wednesday, January 21st, following the regular W.A. meeting. Very encouraging reports of the year's work were presented. All obligations had been met in full. Mr. G. Batchelor was re-appointed Rector's Warden, and Mr. G. R. Tindall was re-elected People's Warden. Other members of the Vestry elected were Miss R. Bacon, Mrs. G. Batchelor, Messrs. A. Bacon and J. Laycock. Bountiful refreshments were served by Mrs. Adams. A vote of thanks was extended to the members of the W.A. for their generous support during the year. Mr. G. Batchelor was elected delegate to Synod, with Mr. G. R. Tindall as substitute.

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ST. SAVIOUR'S, VERMILION

VEN. ARCHDEACON LEVERSEDGE

Annual meetings have been the order of the day here, as elsewhere in the Diocese, and in spite of some problems each parish organization was able to report progress. At the meeting of parishioners held on January 19th, the following officers were elected: People's Warden, A. K. Butler; Vestrymen: S. E. Barwick, C. Brennan, A. H. Cooper, W. C. Hamilton, D. J. Horne, A. E. Kaiser, W. A. Rogan, H. Scott, T. Watts, C. M. King, G. B. P. Brown, and R. B. Taylor. R. H. H. Bell is the Vicar's Warden; Mr. H. R. Parker asking to be relieved of that office, after many years of faithful service. Delegates to Synod are: C. M. King, T. Watts and H. R. Parker, with S. E. Barwick and G. B. P. Brown as alternates.

—W.L.

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held at the rectory, on January 15th, with a smaller attendance than usual owing to sickness. Reports showed a year of activity, and loyal service, with all pledges met in full and increased assistance to the Church funds. The new officers are: Honorary President, Mrs. A. Taylor; President, Mrs. G. Williams; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. W. A. Rogan and Mrs. J. W. G. Morrison; Secretary, Mrs. C. Earp; Treasurer, Mrs. H. J. Reid; Dorcas Sec., Miss G. Bury; Little Helpers' Sec., Mrs. Lambert; U.T.O., Mrs. H. Scott; Educational, Mrs. W. Leversedge.

—G.B.

The "Happy Hour Group" of St. Saviour's Church, which consists of twelve young ladies, reported an active and happy year's work. Fourteen meetings were held. Funds were raised by means of "Talent" money, a bun sale, home cooking sale, and a series of galloping parties, from which great enjoyment was derived; and a Pianoforte Recital was sponsored.

To wind up the year's work a hamper was packed for a needy family of the district. The Ven. Archdeacon Leversedge was a welcome visitor at our annual meeting. Officers for 1942 are: President, Mrs. Jack English; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Arthur Butler; Sec.-Treasurer, Mrs. George Garland.

THE CLANDONALD MISSION

REV. F. A. PEAKE

With the passing of the first month of the year our parochial routine returned to normal. The annual meetings were held and the reports there presented indicated a successful year just past. We hope that the year that lies ahead may be even more successful. There are several things we hope to do: among them to instal a new altar in the Landonville Church and to paint the church at Clondonald, in addition to excavating a basement to accommodate the heating plant.

The A.Y.P.A. held its first meeting of the year on January 14th, when new officers were elected for the remainder of the session. They are as follows: President, Ray Mayhew; Vice-President, Helen Ramsley; Secretary, Sue Dorey; Treasurer, Harold

Grahn. Convenors: Work, Tom Forsyth; Worship and Edification, Miss D. Oldenburg; Fellowship, Reg. Bull. Among their work projects the Association provides three members each month to assist in the publication and despatch of the "Parish News-Letter."

The officers were installed at a special Young People's Service held on January 25th. On that occasion we were very glad to have a former vicar as the preacher in the person of the Rev. R. S. Faulks.

During the month a pulpit was installed in the Clandonald Church.

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COAL BRANCH MISSION

REV. L. A. BRALANT

January always seems to be full of meetings! However, they are necessary if the work of the Church is to be properly maintained. It is one of the glories of the Church of England that it recognizes the function of the laity in helping to determine its counsels.

Annual meetings were held at the five points served by the Mission, and the reports reveal encouraging signs in most places. Cadomin, in particular, has shown a marked increase in attendance and support. Officers for 1942 were duly elected and are as follows: **Cadomin**—Mr. H. Johnson, Vicar's Warden; Mr. R. Rice, People's Warden. **Mountain Park**—Mr. R. Faulkner, Vicar's Warden; Mr. J. Layng, People's Warden. **Foothills**—Mr. W. L. Hammett, Vicar's Warden; Mr. F. Findlay, People's Warden. **Sterco**—Mr. R. Armstrong, Vicar's Warden; Mr. Starling, People's Warden. At **Luscar** Mrs. Cowling is appointed Secretary of the church. Financially, most points have met their obligations, though it is sad that there are still many people who do not realize the need for supporting the Lord's work. What joy we miss when we do not appreciate the Scripture: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." We hope that our vision may be widened this year to make a more definite bid for self-support.

We are grateful to the Board of the United Church at **Luscar** for allowing us to use their church for our services until our new church can be repaired. This move necessitates our holding one service in mid-week, and the other on Sunday evening, to keep to our schedule of two per month. We hope that more ready support will be given to the work at this point.

Plans are now being made for the Lenten services, and we hope that this Holy Season will bring real blessing on our work as well as on our own souls. Prayerlessness seems to characterize so many churches today and we cannot go forward if we fail to harness ourselves to the great "Source of Power" through the channel of prayer. Will you make a special endeavour to attend the Lenten services? God needs YOU, and you need GOD!

EDSON AND ST. PAUL'S MISSION

REV. H. DEV. A. HUNT

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held on January 15th and the following officers were elected: Mrs. White, President; Mrs. Elliott, Secretary;

Mrs. Tucker, Treasurer; Mrs. Dobson, Dorcas Sec.; Mrs. Buck, Prayer Partner. Reports for 1941 were given. A Chain Bridge was arranged to take place early in February. A committee was appointed to look after the preparation of a portion of the rectory for Mr. Hunt's use, as it seems probable we shall continue to share a rector with Jasper.

The annual congregational meeting took place on the 18th. It was not as well attended as had been hoped. However, among other reports, Mr. Tucker gave a most satisfactory financial one for last year, and Mrs. Elliott an excellent one of the Sunday School activities. In the W.A. report the fact was noted that our monthly meetings are too much confined to business matters. This looks for remedy in the ensuing year. Officers for 1942: Mr. Tucker continues as People's Warden; Mr. Dobson as Rector's Warden. Members of the Vestry are: Mr. Gregg, Mr. Fyfe, Mr. Buck, Mr. Hardacre, A. Harrison, B. Dobing. The two new young members are heartily welcomed. Like many other parishes, we seem to be left with very few young people. The same faithful ones continue to hold office and contribute much needed support. As in so many other tasks of the "Home Front," we shall need a definite and conscious effort to maintain the vitality of our Christian fellowship.

In addition to his two parishes, the Rev. W. deV. Hunt made some valiant efforts to reach a few points in St. Paul's Mission. No one unfortunately was on hand at Peers when he went there; as has been the case on former occasions. Is there no one at Peers to function as a contact man, and arrange for a service when one is possible? He made two trips to Wolf Creek, the second with lantern slides on the Life of our Lord. And he plans a trip to Hattonford on February 11th.

We note one funeral most regretfully: the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Stappard, shortly after Christmas. Deep sympathy is extended to the parents.

THE ONOWAY MISSION

MISS BARBARA ONIONS

The W.A. held the annual meeting in January and election of officers was as follows: President, Mrs. Carson; Vice-Pres., Miss Onions; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Dales; Little Helpers' Secretary, Mrs. J. Turnbull; Social Service Secretary, Mrs. Dixon.

The Whist Drives, sponsored by the Vestry during the last two months, have been both successful and enjoyable. There is to be one on February 4th at the home of Mrs. Dales, and a final one in the parish hall on February 11th.

The Rev. S. G. West visited the Mission on January 13th and 14th in order to give Christmas Communion to the congregations of Brookdale, Rich Valley, Stettin and Abbeywood. These services were well attended.

Annual Parishioners' Meeting will be arranged early in February at Brookdale, Calahoo, Stettin, and Rich Valley. It is hoped that all members of congregations will make an effort to attend their meeting.

The Onoway annual meeting was held on Jan. 27th, in the parish hall. The Rev. W. deV. A. Hunt, Rural Dean, presided, and Mrs. Carson was appointed secretary for the meeting. Mr. H. Galliford read the Treasurer's report which showed

that all current expenses have been met. The report of the W.A. given by Mrs. Dales showed an active year, and much done to help in the support of the parish. Reports on the Sunday School and the various organizations showed fairly good progress, and an appeal was made by Miss Onions for the co-operation of parents in seeing that their children attended Church and Sunday School regularly. This was supported by the Rural Dean who pointed out the necessity for parents to show more interest in the Christian education of their children.

Mr. J. Turnbull and Mr. H. Galliford were re-elected as Incumbent's and People's Wardens, and the following were elected to the Vestry: Mr. H. Ablett, Mr. S. Kettle, Mrs. Carson, Mrs. Chisman, Mrs. Dales and Mrs. Parker.

St. Peter's, Brookdale: At the annual meeting of the W.A. the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Roberts; Vice-President, Miss Onions; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Brand.

A successful rummage sale was held at the home of Mrs. Shelton to raise money for expenses connected with the church.

Holy Baptisms: On January 14th, Mary Ertman, in St. John's Church, Onoway; Patricia Elizabeth Hurst and Eleanor Marguerite Hurst, at Rich Valley.

ST. MARY AND ST. GEORGE, JASPER

The greatness of the prophet Moses lay in his knowledge of the source of his strength. When his people were assailed at Rephidim by the blood-thirsty hordes of Amalek Moses committed the actual conduct of the battle to Joshua, while he, Aaron and Hur spent the day in an act of intercession for the struggling Israelites. When through sheer physical exhaustion Moses was no longer able to hold up the rod of God, then Amalek prevailed; but when Aaron and Hur upheld Moses' hands Israel was again triumphant.

There is in this story a lesson for the Church of today seeking to serve in a distracted world. The Church should occupy the same place as Moses in the estimation of the world. Embattled Christians in every land, fighting for their existence, should be able to feel that the Church is constantly engaged in the act of intercession for them. As individual members of a local congregation each one of us should be like Aaron and Hur helping to uphold the Church in this world-wide activity of unceasing prayer. What each one of us actually is doing in this respect is known only to God and ourselves. It cannot appear in an annual report. But the fact that we have sixty one families on the parish roll and an average attendance of only thirty-seven persons, which average includes summer visitors, is suggestive of the fact that our spiritual war effort is a very feeble one.

The facts revealed by the annual report are more encouraging from the financial angle. For the first time in several years we have finished the season with the current expenses all paid and with a small balance in the bank. The highlight in the financial statement is that the apportionment has been paid in full. So far as capital expenditure is concerned we still owe ninety dollars on the recently installed automatic stoker; but now that the stoker, when not in full operation, functions only for three minutes every half-hour, we are able to effect a very real saving on fuel and on janitor fees.

St. Mary's W.A. held its meeting for the election of officers in the Vicarage on January 20th. The following ladies are office holders for 1942: President, Mrs. Brodie; Vice-President, Mrs. Jackson; Secretary, Mrs. Bryant; Treasurer, Mrs. Wachter; Prayer Partner, Mrs. Cleveland; Social Service and Sick Visitor, Mrs. Popey; Little Helpers, Mrs. Jackson; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. Milner; U.T.C., Mrs. Arkwright; Guides and Brownies, Mrs. Mahood. Those elected as delegates to the Diocesan Convention are Mrs. Arkwright and Mrs. Popey.

At this meeting Mrs. Jackson was presented with a Life Membership in the W.A. in recognition of her services as Little Helpers' Secretary over a long period of years. Mrs. Milner pinned the golden life membership pin on Mrs. Jackman's coat as the Vicar led the members in corporate prayer.

The reports of the various organizations show that the W.A. has been very active throughout the past year in raising money for its own pledges and for the assistance of the Vestry, and also in providing clothing both for the diocesan Dorcas and Social Service. It is to be hoped that in the coming year rather more time may be found for activity in the spiritual sphere, and that Mary may not be altogether eclipsed by Martha!

The A.Y.P.A. met in the Vicarage on the 20th to plan its programme for the coming months and to select plays for a performance to be given at Easter. Its first activity of the new season is to be the spring cleaning of the Parish Hall—a much needed operation! The members were glad to welcome Mr. Horace Ward, a new comer to Jasper, but an old-stager in A.Y.P.A. activities. Mr. Ward was formerly a member of the Wainwright group.

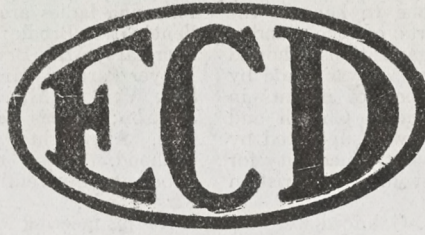
This month has seen the formation of a Church Boys' Club for our Sunday School youngsters. Eight lads met in the Parish Hall on the 16th and spent a happy time playing games and learning the rudiments of dramatic art. We hope that this club may develop during the year and prove a real benefit to its members.

The annual parochial meeting for the election of officers was held in the Vicarage on January 22nd at 8.30 p.m. As usual only a small minority of the congregation was represented—a sure indication of the prevailing indifference to the welfare of the parish. As previously mentioned the financial report was more encouraging than it has been for a long while. The Vicar thanked those who had conscientiously subscribed through the envelope system during the year and appealed for more subscribers, but, to quote the author of Kings, "the people answered him not a word."

Mrs. Cleveland gave a brief review of the work being done in the Primary department of the Sunday School, and appealed for more co-operation from the parents, an appeal made necessary by the indifference of so many of them. There is, surely, no more ominous warning of possible spiritual bankruptcy for the Church of the future than the present lack amongst many parents of all sense of responsibility for the spiritual welfare of their children.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Vicar's Warden, Mr. Wm. Cleveland; People's Warden, Mr. W. Coupland; Members of the Vestry, Messrs. J. Heckley, J. Edenborough, F. Jackson, A.Y.P.A. Representative, Mesdames F. A. Jackman, H. J. Jackson, W. J. Cleveland, Secretary.

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